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Hodgkins takes reins of CAP-USAF

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS — Air Force Col. Russell D. Hodgkins Jr. assumed command of Civil Air Patrol-U.S. Air Force during a ceremony Oct. 6 in the officers club at Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

The former commander of CAP-U.S. Air Force, Air Force Col. George Vogt, retired from the Air Force during a ceremony Oct. 7 in the club.

"I am fortunate to inherit an organization in such fine shape, thanks to the efforts of Col. Vogt," said Col. Hodgkins. "I look forward to continuing to build on the excellent relationship Col Vogt forged between the CAP and the Air Force. CAP and the Air Force, working together, will continue to reach new heights serving our coun-

Col. Hodgkins has served as the

CAP-U.S. Air Force vice commander since September 2003. He came to Maxwell from an assignment as chief of the African cell and Command Center, Headquarters U.S. European Command Operations Directorate at Patch Barracks in Stuttgart, Germany.

During his career, Col. Hodgkins served as a T-38 Talon instructor pilot and wing chief of safety at Vance Air Force Base, Okla., and as campaign analyst and branch chief of the Campaign Analysis Branch, Air Forces Studies and Analyses Agency at the Pentagon. He has also been an EF-111 Raven aircraft commander, wing weapons officer, assistant operations officer and detachment commander at Mountain Home AFB, Idaho, and EF-111 aircraft commander and flight commander at Royal Air Force Upper Heyford, United Kingdom.

Col. Hodgkins is a command pilot with more than 4,000 flight hours, primarily in the T-38 and EF-111. He received his bachelor's degree from the Air Force Academy in 1980 and a master's degree in aeronautical engineering from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in 1989. He attended Squadron Officer School in 1984, Air Command and Staff College in 1993 and he graduated Air War College in June 2000. In 2002, he attended the Joint Forces Staff College, Norfolk, Va.

The colonel's decorations include the Distinguished Flying Cross, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters. Air Medal with three oak leaf clusters and Aerial Achievement Medal with seven oak leaf clusters.



Photo courtesy of U.S. Air Force

Air Force Col. Russell D. Hodgkins Jr. addresses the crowd after assuming command of Civil Air Patrol-U.S. Air Force during a ceremony held Oct. 6 in the officers club at Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala. The colonel served as the unit's vice commander since September 2003.

Chazell assumes command of Rocky Mountain Region

NATIONAL HEADQUAR-TERS - Col. Russell Chazell assumed command of the Rocky Mountain Region in a change-of-command ceremony Oct. 8 held during the region's annual conference in Jackson

Col. Chazell, previously the Utah Wing commander, accepted command of the region after Col. Lynda Robinson, who served as region commander for four years, stepped

Col. Chazell, 40, joined CAP in 1978 as a cadet. He said he joined because he was

hoping for a career as an Air Force pilot, but his vision prevented him from fulfilling that dream so he pursued other options. He now has a law degree and previously served as CAP legal officer.

According to the colonel, the first thing he wants to do is make sure the Rocky Mountain Region is prepared for CAP's larger homeland security role. "As a commander, I want to make sure our training and professional development are as good as they can be," he said.

Col. Chazell's wife,

Janeen, and one of his children, Dwight, also are CAP members. Janeen is the Rocky Mountain Region director of

cadet programs and was CAP's National Senior Member of the Year. Dwight is a cadet chief master sergeant

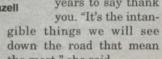
"It's a family thing, and I'm not sure we could do it if it wasn't," he said.

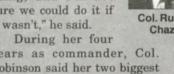
years as commander, Col. Robinson said her two biggest down the road that mean accomplishments were making the most," she said.

the region a "true region command" by having a member of each wing on her staff, and setting up the

> first-ever operational regional headquarters.

But the colonel is most proud of the unseen accomplishments - the ones that bring a cadet back in five years to say thank







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HURRICANE DEVASTATES GULF COAST. CAP 'HEROES' RESPOND

ore than 200 volunteers of the Air Force auxiliary checked on residents in door-to-door searches of devastated Mississippi communities, flew aerial photography and official transport flights in Mississippi and Louisiana and took part in many other missions funded by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and coordinated and tracked through 1st Air Force, located at Tyndall Air Force Base, Fla.

Civil Air Patrol members quickly met the needs of many state, federal and military groups, including the Louisiana governor's office, the

Louisiana National Guard, the U.S. Coast Guard, the Mississippi **Emergency Manage**ment Agency, the Mississippi Department of Transportation and many others.

The Category 4 hurricane caused severe damage in Mississippi and Louisiana. In Mississippi, where Katrina flooded and tore apart roadways, transportation officials turned to CAP for help in

Civil Air Patrol National Vice Commander Brig. Gen. Rex Glasgow communicates via satellite telephone while deployed to Mississippi.

assessing bridge and highway damage.

Keith Carr, assistant bridge engineer with the Mississippi Department of Transportation, said CAP was the best option for the agency.

"I can't see any other way we could have done it without CAP's help in the time allotted. We were able to go down in an afternoon and pick up all of the information on what bridges were damaged and what bridges were demolished and destroyed," Mr. Carr said. "We were able to get low and slow and find out where the damage was. Now we know. There was no other way to do this

Through Sept. 14, CAP members from 17 states volunteered more than 15,000 hours

CAP National Headquarters



Civil Air Patrol members from 17 states tallied up more than 15,000 hours on ground missions and visited more than 4,200 homes in Mississippi during CAP's Hurricane Katrina relief operations there. Pictured here — seven of the more than 200 "everyday heroes" who deployed to the Magnolia State are, from left, cadets Robert Veitch, Pennsylvania Wing, and Chris Kyser, Alabama Wing, Maj. Owen Younger, Texas Wing, CAP National Commander Maj. Gen. Antonio J. Pineda, CAP National Vice Commander Brig. Rex E. Glasgow, Capt. Shannon Juhl, Iowa Wing, and Cadet Kenneth Millett, Pennsylvania

participating in ground missions. Ground team members visited 4,266 homes of 8,504 residents in southern Mississippi to ensure they were safe and had enough food and water to survive, and received any critical medical care. They worked there about 1 1/2 weeks under the leadership of CAP National Commander Maj. Gen. Antonio J. Pineda, Vice Commander Brig. Gen. Rex E. Glasgow and other CAP

Meanwhile, through Sept. 30, CAP pilots had flown more than 850 air missions, soaring more than 1,880 hours in the air so agencies like MDOT could photograph and assess damage.

Providing a vital backbone to all missions, CAP employees at CAP's National Operations Center at Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala., worked around the clock to assist 1st Air Force.

In Mississippi, Maj. Gen. Pineda joined ground team members as they visited residents in a storm-torn neighborhood near Stennis International Airport.

There, fallen pine trees lay on power lines, and many residents were living outside their homes



Pennsylvania Wing members Capt. Eric Schuelke, center, and Cadet Maureen Arscott listen to a victim of Hurricane Katrina in Bay St. Louis, Miss., during relief operations.



Aerial image shot by a Louisiana Wing aircrew using Civil Air Patrol's satellite-transmitted digital imaging technology during a Hurricane Katrina damage-assessment mission Aug. 31. The mission was flown at the request of the Louisiana Department of Homeland Secu-

beneath tarps. Although their homes rested on story-high stilts, powerful floodwaters climbed to second-story ceilings, leaving homes wrecks of thrown furniture and wet mud.

Maj. Gen. Pineda was very pleased but not surprised by the comments he heard from the residents he met.

"The first lady we talked to there said, 'You are the first people who came to see to make sure that we're OK.' And that's a great feeling because that's what we're there for," Maj. Gen. Pineda said. "We're there to provide the service to the community, and our volunteer members are doing that, and they came from all over the nation," he said.

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Photos by Marc Huchette Chief of Multimedia CAP National Headquarters

NEWSFRONT

Missouri Wing administrator first of many to help keep CAP Wings running smoothly

Jennifer Kornegay Staff Writer

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS Many people claim to be "multitaskers." But if you find a good multitasker who has a good attitude to boot, you're in luck and you're on track to get things done.

The Missouri Wing can count itself lucky in labor thanks to the recent addition of Tashema Arnau. Ms. Arnau was hired in September 2005 to serve as its wing administrator, and while she has several qualities that set her apart from the crowd, she also has the distinction of being the first of many wing administrators to start their job.

The new position was created to provide needed administrative and program support for wing command-

Susan Easter, CAP's chief financial officer, explained why the new wing administrators were needed. "CAP wings are completely volunteer-staffed," she said. "These volunteers have jobs and lives outside of CAP. We needed someone at the wing full-time to answer questions and keep the wing running smoothly. These are very important positions since they will give the wing commanders guaranteed support. Plus, they will be the conduit for CAP information for the wing and the general public."

Despite a rather long list of du-

ties and responsibilities, Ms. Arnau believes she is bringing a lot to the table in her new position. "I bring a positive atmosphere to the wing," she said. "All of the squadron commanders know they can call me anytime, and I will do everything I can to help them. I can handle a lot at onetime without getting frustrated or stressed, and that is vital in this job."

Ms. Arnau maintains financial and personnel records to ensure wing compliance with CAP National Headquarters and government requirements. Her duties that include responding to requests for information, routing mail, developing and maintaining a filing system for her wing, handing flight logs and fuel billing, entering and maintaining data and finance information, preparing budgets and assisting with quarterly audits, as well as other general administrative functions.

"I take care of 35 squadrons," she said. "I basically do all of the administrative work for the wing and it may sound menial, but it is all important

The work that CAP does inspires Ms. Arnau to do her best every day. "In my opinion, the most important thing that CAP does is the air search and rescue," she said. "When these members use their own aircraft to go and help people, it is a tremendous effort and such a tremendous help. It's good to know the government can count on CAP when its resources are



Ms. Arnau has been a CAP member since August 2004. A military veteran, she served as an apprentice for the U.S. Air Force at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., from 2000-'04 and most recently served as a part-time administrative assistant for CAP. She knows from her experience in that position how crucial the wing administrator posi-

"Before this job was created, I The wing really needed this posi-

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worked part-time as an administration assistant for the wing, and there was so much work to be done. They just didn't have the funds to hire a full-time employee to do it," she said. "Now, I am busy all day long. I don't see how a volunteer could have done all of it.

AFA AWARD WINNER

Cadet Dana Keller of Oklahoma Wing's Stillwater Composite Squadron accepts the Air Force Association Outstanding Civil Air Patrol Aerospace Education Cadet of the Year award during AFA's Air and Space Conference and Technology Exposition held Sept. 12-14 in Washington, D.C. With Cadet Keller, from left, are Don Rowland, CAP National Headquarters executive director, Col. Jane **Davies, National Capital Wing** commander, and Stephen "Pat" Condon, AFA board chairman.



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NEWSFRONT

CAP Historical Foundation captures organization's history on Internet

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS — The National Museum of the Civil Air Patrol is set to unveil the CAP story on the Internet.

The Web-based museum and its associated Photo Archives Project are the latest from the CAP Historical Foundation, the officially recognized nonprofit organization established to preserve and promote CAP's heritage.

The museum on the Web examines CAP history in seven exhibits, from the early World War II submarine menace and CAP Coastal Patrol to modern CAP search and rescue efforts and new technology.

"The museum was an easy project since it is based on the exhibit we wrote, designed and partially built for the Air Force Museum in the late 1990s," said CAPHF Executive Director Drew Steketee. Mr. Steketee presented the Web Museum to the CAP National Board in August.

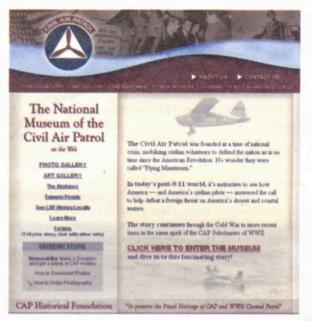
Mr. Steketee, an industry public relations/communications veteran who established the CAPHF in 1997, and donates his time to help CAP's image in the aviation community. The foundation's board of directors is comprised of top CAP national officers and CAPHF Deputy Director Jack Faas, a Texas

Web museum photography is the product of an earlier, multi-year CAPHF project to preserve and make available valuable historical photography for a wide range of users. Now digitized (and on the Web museum) are historical photos from CAP National Headquarters and from the late Col. Lester Hopper, a former CAP national historian.

"What's exciting about the Hopper photos is that many were taken by the World War II CAP subchasers themselves," noted Mr. Steketee. "Best of all, they show CAP people being themselves, at work in many jobs during that war."

Historical photos from CAP National Headquarters also cover the 1950s, 1960s and more recent CAP activities.

The Version 1.0 of the Web museum is available at www.caphistory.org. Included is a photo gallery with downloadable images, a "See CAP History Lo-



cally" section, a chat room for CAP veterans and a museum store. The latter allows visitors to make a donation to the foundation and to receive a piece of CAP historical memorabilia, such as a history book, historical video, flight jacket patch or a 1950s-era CAP poster (the same one sold in the Air Force Mu-

The museum will be completed this fall and announced to the public in time for the Dec. 1 start of CAP's 65th year.

Additions will include a gallery of CAP artwork, a section on CAP aircraft over the years and CAP's modern-day story.

Those who wish to help may become a museum patron with a donation of \$100 or more. Send your check, made payable to CAPHF, to CAP Historical Foundation, c/o Drew Steketee, 21212 Sweetgrass Way, Ashburn, VA 20147. All contributions are taxdeductible.

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NHQVIEWS

CAP excels during hurricane response

e can all be very proud of the outstanding service Civil Air Patrol provided to our nation during the recent hurricane relief operations. From communications support to transportation, ground surveying to sensor and imagery flights, shelter operations to critical incident stress management — CAP was definitely the resource of choice for many federal, state and local agencies.

In support of hurricanes Katrina, Ophelia and Rita, 1,776 CAP members contributed 36,083 man hours, flew 960 air sorties, logged 1,850 flight hours, surveyed 4,266 homes and made 8,524 contacts in direct support to the victims of these devastating storms. Keep in mind these statistics don't take into account all of the indirect support numerous CAP wings provided state agencies to help with evacuee transportation and other functions like shelter

It is particularly interesting to note that every CAP region provided support for the hurricane relief efforts. Here are just a few specific examples of the great work CAP members accomplished:

A ground team knocked on the door of a house and thought they heard a faint voice. They opened the door and called in and an elderly lady responded. She was laying in bed connected to a life support system, dependent on electricity, which had been knocked out by the storm. CAP members immediately notified emergency medical personnel and ultimately helped save her life;

CAP members came across a deaf homeowner who was not able to use her electronic communication device because her phone didn't work. One of

CAP received incredible visibility for its hurricane relief support, but we must expect that with such visibility comes additional responsibilities and expectations from our customers, and they will expect us to deliver when it counts every time. Our volunteer organization is one of the very best of its kind in the world and we need to keep it that way, and professionalism is the key to making that happen.

the ground team members knew sign language and was able to explain the current situation and answer her questions concerning the disaster;

A Jackson County, Miss., man required medicine for a heart condition and his supply had been exhausted. CAP team members transported him to a local pharmacy where he was able to get what he needed:

In Meridian, Miss., a patient with complications from chemotherapy needed to be immediately admitted to a

Veterans Administration hospital. He had no means of transport and CAP members coordinated with Air Force Rescue Coordination Center at Langley Air Force Base, Va., to get a mission approved to transport the

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patient to a hospital in Jackson;

There were two situations where residents had oxygen problems. One was completely out and the other one was on her last bottle. In one case, local emergency medical personnel were able to supply additional tanks - in the other situation CAP ground teams split up and two members drove to a facility to swap out the tanks;

In Pascagoula, Miss., a ground team came upon a child with chronic lung problems who was experiencing significant respiratory difficulties. The combined effects of no air conditioning, and high temperatures and humidity complicated matters and the team contacted emergency medical services for further assistance. CAP members also provided food to the family; and

CAP's support to U.S. Northern Command was at an all-time high during the hurricane relief efforts. CAP members provided vital air transportation to key federal officials into and out of the New Orleans area — an area inaccessible by any other transportation method. In addition, CAP provided critical support in an important mission area dubbed ISR (intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance). Members took hundreds of photos so U.S. Northern Command and other agencies could conduct imagery analysis of critical infrastructure such as roads, bridges, dams, power plants, and refineries. CAP's newest technology, ARCHER, was also used and performed well as an ISR asset. ARCHER was used not only by U.S. Northern Command, but also used extensively by the Army Corps of Engineers to obtain high resolution georectified imagery of the disaster area.

Your CAP leadership is extremely pleased with the significant contributions our members made to this unprecedented disaster. Federal authorities,

both civilian and military, saw the outstanding value CAP brings to emergency response operations. The CAP National Operations Center submitted daily reports detailing CAP's accomplishments and this information was briefed to the secretaries of the Air Force and Defense on a daily basis - exactly the kind of excellent visibility we need on a regular

Let's not rest on our laurels. It's time to start planning for the next major disaster. We learned

several things during this hurricane season that need to be worked on for the future. For instance, wings need to continue training in all specialties using the approved nationally standardized emergency services

curriculum. In addition, work must begin, or continue, to get CAP wings fully integrated into their state's emergency preparedness agencies, state governments and military organizations. During a disaster is the wrong time to establish these relationships. Our current and potential customers need to know our realistic capabilities so we're already on their checklist to call when disaster strikes. Our abilities can be limited by the availability of our members, so we must continue to recruit and retain highly skilled personnel who can fill all required specialties.

Furthermore, we have to anticipate and adhere to our customer's requirements. If we perform our missions in a highly professional and safe manner, we will likely be called again in the future. CAP received incredible visibility for its hurricane relief support, but we must expect that with such visibility comes additional responsibilities and expectations from our customers, and they will expect us to deliver when it counts - every time. Our volunteer organization is one of the very best of its kind in the world and we need to keep it that way, and professionalism is the key to making that happen.

Many thanks to those who deployed and the thousands of other members all across this great nation of ours who were ready to deploy on a moment's notice. And a special thanks for everyone's hard work! Without your efforts, this hurricane season could have been much worse for the people in the affected areas.

We made a huge difference in the disaster areas this time and that makes me feel very proud to be your commander. The CAP team is strong - with highly trained personnel and high-tech resources and well-positioned for the future. Keep up the great work!

Responding to disasters requires preparedness

ivil Air Patrol members rose to the call to respond to the devastation caused by Hurricane Katrina. While much of CAP's response was for air support, our members were also involved on the ground — dealing firsthand with the dangers associated with disaster relief in a post-hurricane environment

Since flood zones contain many hazards not usually experienced by most people, proper preparation is important to stay healthy and functional during and after deployment. Floodwaters contain human and animal waste as well as household chemicals, pesticides, petroleum products and industrial wastes. In addition to the risk of infection, chemical exposures can also cause illness.

In addition, standing water can promote mosquito breeding and illnesses such as West Nile Virus.

Exposure to a contaminated environment increases the risk of any wound becoming infected. Mold and other environmental toxins in buildings can cause respiratory illnesses. Heat and emotional issues can also

take their toll, and crowded evacuation shelters can contribute to the rapid spread of illnesses.

Vaccinations

Rescue and relief workers are advised to ensure they have had a tetanus booster within the last 10 years before deployment. The hepatitis B vaccine is recommended for those who may be exposed to blood or body fluids. For those working in crowded shelters, the hepatitis A vaccine and the varicella vaccine (if no previous chicken pox or shingles infection) are recommended.

Workers exposed to floodwaters. but not working in crowded shelters, are not at increased risk for hepatitis A. Cholera and typhoid vaccinations are not needed, as these diseases are

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Pack plenty of alcohol hand sanitizer. Baby wipes are a good "bath-in-a-box" between showers. It is important to bring personal first aid supplies and first aid towelettes.

Band-aids should be waterproof if possible. Several brands, including Nexcare, seal all around the wound and will protect from contamination.

Bring comfortable lightweight clothing, including long-sleeve shirts and long pants for mosquito and skin protection. Shoes should have steel toes and shanks to prevent foot

injuries and punctures.

Other personal protective equipment should include leather gloves for physical labor and rubber gloves to wear inside them for disease protection. Safety goggles and face shields are helpful where the splashing of contaminated fluids or water may occur. Rain gear can also protect from splashing. Bring hearing protection if you expect to be around noisy environments or equipment. Wash all equipment after use with soap and water and air dry before the next use.

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rare in the U.S. even after flooding.

Health prescreening

Before leaving for an area with less than ideal conditions and available resources, be sure you are healthy. If you are not, seek the advice of a doctor before making a commitment to deploy.

Travel health kit

Be prepared to function in areas with shortages of electricity, water, food and other supplies. Bring a supply of your own prescription medications, as well as a supply of useful over-the-counter medications such as Tylenol, ibuprofen or naproxen, immodium and others. If you wear prescription glasses, bring a spare pair, as well as your prescription and an eyeglass repair kit. Contact lens wearers should bring extra lenses and plenty of supplies.

In addition to the usual personal hygiene supplies, be sure to bring shower shoes and an absorbent towel (highly absorbent travel towels are desirable). Pack insect repellant (DEET or picaridin/permethrin) to protect from mosquitoes. Spray repellent on clothing and apply to exposed skin. To apply to the face, spray the repellant on your hands and apply carefully to the face, avoiding the eyes and mouth. Also pack lip balm and sun block with SPF 15 or greater, as well as sunglasses with UV protection and a wide-brimmed hat to protect from sun exposure. A skin moisturizer cream is also good to include.

Wound care

Rashes and wounds can become infected easily. Immediately wash wounds with soap and water no matter how minor. Minor wounds can then be covered with antibiotic ointment and a waterproof band-aid. More significant wounds should be inspected for dirt or foreign objects and gently flushed with bottled water or clean running water and bandaged. Seek medical attention!

If it has been more than five years since your last tetanus booster, you should be revaccinated within 24 hours of an injury. Keep all cuts, abrasions or wounds covered with waterproof dressings.

Preventing infectious diseases

Good hand washing is the key to staying healthy. Wash for 20 seconds with soap and water or use an alcohol hand sanitizer. Wash your hands before eating or drinking, after

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New safety initiative needs every member's support

as your new CAP national safety officer, I am looking forward to the challenge of working with each of you to make Civil Air Patrol, as well as your everyday life, a safer environment. As such, it is my desire to enlist the help of every CAP member, from our youngest cadet to our beloved charter members.

I cannot be everywhere and see everything. For this, I am going to enlist you. As you well know, everyone is a safety officer. Everyone makes risk management decisions every day. When you go to cross the street, you look and see a truck coming. The question — "Do I step out into the street to cross and get hit by the truck or should I wait until it passes and cross safely?" - is answered then.

Everything we do in CAP and our everyday life entails risk management decisions. Are we absolving ourselves of some of these decisions or are we purposely making decisions that will lead to the injury of a CAP member, temporary or permanent loss of a CAP asset or the injury or death of a friend?

I do not believe any one of us would consciously make such an irresponsible decision; however, consider this possible

scenario. During a mission at a local VFR or visualflight-rules only airport, the local weather is stated to be below VFR minimums. Upon looking at the sky and surrounding area, the incident commander thinks the weather report is wrong and then decides to send up a pilot to see if they might just be able to get some flights launched.

Now, you have a risk management decision. If the pilot takes off and finds himself in the clouds, should he or she go below VFR minimums to get below the clouds or fly using instrument flight rules and try to go somewhere else? Fact is, the pilot took off when the reported weather was below VFR minimums, and then flew into IFR conditions without a clearance, and any way you look at this situation, there is nothing but trouble.

Bottom line — I need your eyes and ears to help me keep CAP safe. That is why I am implementing OPERATION CAPSAFE. However, this program will not work without the help and support of every CAP member!

The purpose of OPERATION CAP SAFE is to have every CAP member think about safety at least once a month. By doing this, we have the capability to foster a habit-pattern of risk management and safety consideration.

Applicability

The **OPERATION CAPSAFE** program applies

to all CAP cadets and senior members. Responsibility

Every CAP member has the responsibility of making his or her surrounding environment safe whether it's the mission pilot deciding on aircraft and aircrew capabilities, the cadet in the drill or mission environment, or the aerospace education instructor determining where to place the extension cord for the projector in a way that other members will not trip over it.

Program description

Every CAP member, cadet and senior member is



OPERATION CAPSAFE

Col. Lyle Letteer Jr. CAP National Safety Officer lletteer@cap.gov

requested to accomplish at least one of the following:

✓ Once a month, submit a suggestion to the CAP national safety officer on how to make CAP air operations safer; and/or

✓ Once a month, submit a suggestion to the CAP national safety officer on how to make CAP ground operations safer.

Selection procedures

Each month, a suggestion will be selected from the air operations submissions and a selection made from the ground operations submissions.

Each month, each winning suggestion will be awarded an OPERATION CAPSAFE item as a token of appreciation.

Suggestions may either be e-mailed to safety@cap.gov or sent via U.S. mail to the following address: CAP National Safety Officer, P.O. Box 1010, Locust Grove, GA 30248-1010.

I want to receive an idea from each one of the 56,000-plus CAP members every month. If each of you think of safety at least once a month, we cannot help but improve our safety record. And I guarantee your suggestion will be read by someone on my staff.

Consider this - your suggestion publicized in a CAP news release. Or it may be your suggestion that has eluded everyone — and turns out to be one that saves a CAP member from injury or death or an asset from damage or being destroyed. And that's what OPERATION CAPSAFE is all about!

CIVIL AIR PATROL INSPECTORS GENERAL

Civil Air Patrol wishes to resolve all complaints and grievances in a fair and impartial manner. If a member believes that he or she has a complaint, they should consult CAP Regulation 123-2 and then make every effort to resolve the issue at the lowest appropriate level. If that effort is unsuccessful, then members should direct their questions or problems to the attention of any of the following CAP inspector generals: listed below.

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LT. COL. JAMES S. HAMILTON

CHAPLAIN SPOTLIGHT

haplain (Lt. Col.) James S. Hamilton, who currently serves as the Nebraska Wing chaplain, was recently asked to also serve as the deputy chaplain for the North

Central Region.

Chaplain Hamilton was recruited as a Nebraska Wing group chaplain in 1964 by Chaplain (Maj.) James Wann, then the Nebraska Wing chaplain.

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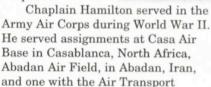
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Command at Payne Field in Cairo, Egypt. Upon discharge, he returned to his home in Coleman, Texas, where his parents lived, and he joined the inactive reserve of the Air Corps.



Focus on SERVICE

Chaplain (Col.) Charles E. Sharp Chief, CAP Chaplain Service csharpmajor@juno.com

Chaplain Hamilton wanted to enter the ministry, but did not have a high school diploma. He and his wife. Dorothy, enrolled in and attended Wayland Baptist Junior College in Plainview, Texas. He later transferred

to Howard Payne University in Brownwood, Texas. After completing his degree at Howard Payne, he spent two years in the pastorate.

The chaplain wanted more ministry training so he enrolled in Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas. While there, he worked with the Texas Alcohol and Drug Education Program. Following graduation from Southwestern Baptist, the family moved to North Platte, Neb., where he served with the Nebraska Council on Alcohol and Drug Education for 35 years.

Out in the sand hills of Nebraska, while visiting one of the ranchers who had become a friend of the council, Chaplain Hamilton was challenged by the rancher to spend the afternoon helping him move cattle from one

range to another. He had never done anything like that; however, he nevertheless agreed to give it a try. After lunch, the rancher gave him a straw hat and some instructions. It was then he learned he was going to help move some Hereford bulls.

By the time the sun was sinking behind the sand hills. the rancher announced they were through and it was time

for supper. Chaplain Hamilton retired early that evening, convinced he was not cowboy material.

The chaplain was introduced to the Civil Air Patrol chaplain ministry early in his career. He and Chaplain Wann were waiting at Lee Bird Airport in North Platte on a cloudy afternoon for a "Gooney Bird" to take them to a training event for chaplains. The plane landed and taxied up to near where they were standing. The door opened, a foot ladder was dropped and they were motioned by an

aircrew member to board the plane. He recalled it was a real "stop-and-go" situation.

Chaplain Hamilton has served under the command of 14 Nebraska wing commanders. They have worked together to make the wing the best it could become. He recalled a young man who made a distinct impression on him - then Col. Richard L. Anderson. Chaplain Hamilton said it became apparent to him the colonel was an outstanding member of the Nebraska Wing and a man who would not give in to being a second-rate CAP officer. Col. Anderson's knowledge and energy were an encouragement to all members in the Nebraska Wing, including Chaplain Hamilton.

Chaplain Hamilton and his wife were blessed with three children. A son, James M., who lives in Paris. Texas; a daughter, Lenora Phillips, who lives in Hattiesburg, Miss.; and their youngest daughter, the late Deborah Lanning, who lived in Lincoln, Neb. Although retired, the chaplain still serves the Lincoln-Lancaster County Area on Aging in

Lincoln.

CAP honored Chaplain Hamilton during the national awards ceremony at the 2005 CAP Annual Conference in St. Louis as CAP's Senior Chaplain of the Year. He is an avid pilot and has taken part in numerous CAP search and rescue missions. He has earned both the observer and scanner ratings, is a mission chaplain and a recipient of CAP's highest

achievement level for senior members - the Gill Rob Wilson Award.

He also has served as chaplain for numerous cadet encampments, weather schools and national flight academies, and is a graduate and active alumnus of the North Central Region Chaplain Service Staff College.

Congratulations, Chaplain Hamilton, for all you have accomplished, and thank you so much for helping make the Nebraska Wing and Civil Air Patrol the outstanding national organization it is today!

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Left, Civil Air Patrol National Commander Maj. Gen. Antonio J. Pineda presents then Nebraska Wing Chaplain (Lt. Col.) James S. Hamilton with the Senior Chaplain of the Year Award during CAP's 2005 National Conference in St. Louis Aug. 20.

2006 CAP NATIONAL CADET SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

ACTIVITY DEADLINES

Applications for activities must be submitted from Nov. 1 to Dec. 31, 2005, unless noted otherwise.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

To apply for most activities, you must be able to log into "eServices" to access and complete the online CAP Form 31. This means you must have a CAPID and a password. Do not wait until the last minute to establish a password and confirm you can log into "eServices." Application procedures for some activities (NESA, Hawk Mountain, CLA and IACE) are different. Please review the individual activity descriptions for special application

To locate the CAPF 31 online, go to www.cap.gov (eServices Web page) and click the "NCSA Main Menu" link under "CAP Utilities" to apply for special activities. As you follow the instructions for entering your request, you will also get to check (and correct if necessary) your address, contact information and personal characteristics that National Headquarters (NHQ) has on file.

Note: You will need Explorer 6.0 and Adobe Acrobat 6.0 to complete the application, and both are downloadable from the eServices site.

When you have completed the application, you will be asked to perform several functions. First, electronically submit your application to NHQ online. (When you have completed, reviewed and printed your CAPF 31, it will automatically be transmitted to NHQ electronically.) Second, print the application and sign the "Release Agreement" and have your parent or guardian (if applicable) sign the "Release by Parent or Guardian" block (Page 4 of the application). Third, forward a printed and signed copy of the CAPF 31 to your squadron commander. The form will be reviewed at the squadron and forwarded to your wing commander for ranking

If your CAPF 31 is not ranked by the wing, you will not be considered for a slot at a national activity. (Tip! Make sure your squadron commander forwards the CAPF 31 to the wing for ranking.)

IMPORTANT ISSUES

For personnel applying for staff positions, please complete a separate CAPF 31 and mark it "STAFF" in the top left corner. Forward it to your wing or group, as appropriate, for review. Note that acceptance for the activity is not necessarily acceptance to a staff position. The activity director will review staff applications and contact those accepted directly. For cadets applying for more than one NCSA, please clearly indicate your desired preferences, in order, on the second page of the application.

Note: Because of supplementary procedures used for International Air Cadet Exchange selection, list IACE last on your preference list.

Late applications - received after Dec. 31 - will be accepted if they have been reviewed and approved by the squadron and wing. However, they will not be forwarded to the activity director until all those who applied on time have had an opportunity to be slotted and to

respond with payment and confirmation of attendance

Your wing may set an earlier deadline for receiving its copy of the CAPF 31.

For all cadets applying to any activity, you must have encampment credit prior to attending any NCSA. If an activity has an age requirement, it must be met before the activity starts! If NHQ does not have a record of encampment completion prior to the date of the activity, then you will have to show the activity director your encampment completion certificate prior to the start of the national activity

If you do not have ready access to a computer, please notify someone in your squadron as soon as possible so arrangements can be made for you to get

ACTIVITY TIMELINES

For all activities except Cadet Leadership Academy, Hawk Mountain, NESA and IACE, the CAPF 31 must be completed and submitted online to NHQ with a printed and signed copy forwarded to the squadron commander not later than Dec. 31. The squadron commander reviews, signs and forwards the CAPF 31 to the wing for its review and ranking. The review and ranking process by the squadrons and wings occurs between Jan. 1 - Feb. 22, 2006.

Results are due from the wing to NHQ no later than Feb. 23. Please see CLA, Hawk Mountain, NESA and IACE for their

THE SLOTTING PROCESS

NHQ will slot as many ranked applicants as possible; however, being ranked does not guarantee you will be slotted as a primary for your preferred activity, since the number of available slots will be less than the number of applicants ranked. Being ranked does guarantee you will compete for a slot. You will be placed on the alternate list if not selected as a primary for your preferred activity.

Notification of individual slotting results will be e-mailed by March 21 Additionally, you can view your activity status by logging on to eServices and clicking the "Check My Status" link found in the "NCSA Main Menu" area.

Personnel slotted as primary attendees will have until April 30 to submit their payment in full to NHQ for all NCSAs except NESA. The academy director and project officer coordinate all fees and slots for NESA and will provide guidance for payment in their welcome letter. Applicants whose payments have not been received by April 30 will become alternates and their primary slots will be offered to other applicants on the alternate list. See CLA, Hawk Mountain and NESA for activity payment details.

SENIOR MEMBER APPLICATIONS

Most of the NCSAs allow senior members to apply as escorts, and a few allow for full senior member participation. Senior members applying for any of the NCSAs must follow the same procedures as the cadets and use the CAPF 31. Mark the word "SENIOR" in the top left-hand corner of the CAPF 31

Deadlines for senior member applications to assist as staff are the same as

cadets. Senior members applying to attend NESA must follow the procedures in the NESA application instructions.

SPECIAL APPLICATION **PROCEDURES**

Application procedures for the following are unique to each activity: Hawk Mountain Search & Rescue School, International Air Cadet Exchange, National Emergency Services Academy and Civic Leadership Academy. For application instructions, please refer to the appropriate activity description contained in this material. Please note the CLA is an out-of-cycle activity and you must pay close attention to the application details.

Note: In some cases, activity dates must be set 10 to 12 months in advance, so it is not unusual for an activity date to change by one or two days. Updates will be published continuously on the Cadet Programs Web page at www.cap.gov/ cadets. Activity directors will also keep selectees apprised of date changes as they occur.

For more information about the 2006 **CAP National Cadet Special Activities** program, please call Don Karle at (334) 953-6473

AIRLINE CAREERS EXPLORATION Denver, Colo. (Frontier Airline Facility) Aug. 13-19 + \$225

Ever wonder what it would be like to work in the airline industry? This partnership with Frontier Airlines will give you that opportunity. Spend a week behind the scenes at Frontier headquarters in Denver. You will get hands-on experience with pilots, flight attendants, mechanics, customer service agents, dispatchers, schedulers and many other people who are essential to the operation of a major airline. In addition, you will have unprecedented access to maintenance facilities, airport operations and airline operations centers. Ages 14 and older.

ADVANCED TECHNOLOGIES ACADEMY

Peterson AFB, Colo. July 22-29 + \$350 Location TBD Aug. 6-13 + \$350

Do you enjoy being on the cutting edge of today's technology? Do you have the basic computer skills mastered and the desire to use your knowledge to help CAP perform its primary missions? Are you also interested in space and would like to be able to track satellites, the space shuttle and the International Space Station in orbit from your squadron's computer? Then join us for CAP's Advanced Technologies Academy!

You will learn how CAP provides some of the first photographs of disaster sites by flying in CAP aircraft and taking the pictures yourself! You will then transmit those images back to base using satellitetransmitted digital imaging technology. You will also get hands-on demonstrations of infrared and night-vision equipment, and learn how hyperspectral imaging is used in CAP's search and rescue operations. There will also be the opportunity to meet the technology experts from such noted companies as the Naval Research Laboratory and Boeing Corp. Another part

of the activity is the CAP Satellite Tool Kit program. You will use state-of-the-art space technology to learn about satellite missions, types and locations of satellite orbits and many other interesting space operations topics. You may preview those lessons at www.stk.com. In the last part of the activity, a computer programming course will be presented. This will help you increase your computer skills and learn more about programming and Web site design.

Please note: Competency with Microsoft Windows operating system and programs is a requirement. Minimum age requirement 14 by activity date.

AEROSPACE EDUCATION ACADEMY Oshkosh, Wis. July 9-16 + \$260

This is not your ordinary weekend aerospace activity. This is about building and doing! Test your skills by making and launching your own rocket, or building a model airplane as a team and then flying it by remote control. Learn about aviation and its history, and explore space in the classroom and planetarium. Visit one of the world's finest aviation museums -- the Experimental Aircraft Association Aviation Museum -- and experience flight in a CAP aircraft.

Discover what weather is all about, learn to develop a flight plan and discover how to operate a compass and GPS while you look for hidden treasure (your lunch). Be challenged by flying-high performance simulators, competing on the "challenge course" and working with your hands in a sport air workshop. Here you will work with composite materials, construct wing ribbing and build with sheet metal. All of these activities and more are planned for the AEA.

Ages 15 and older.

AIRCRAFT MANUFACTURING & MAINTENANCE ORIENTATION COURSE

Cessna Aircraft Manufacturing Facility Wichita, Kan. June 11-18 + \$260

Ever wonder how airplanes are built or how major aircraft manufacturers train their maintenance technicians? How does a week at the Cessna Aircraft's manufacturing facility in Wichita, Kan. sound? You will have access to the shop floor to observe Cessna professionals fabricate and build Cessna airplanes. You will also get hands-on instruction in the maintenance training facility and simulators. If you are interested in a career in the general aviation industry, this is a must activity for you!

AIR EDUCATION & TRAINING COMMAND FAMILIARIZATION COURSE

Columbus AFB, Miss. July 8-15 & July 15-22 + \$225 Laughlin AFB, Texas June 18-24 + \$135

Have you ever dreamed about becoming a military aviator? Would you like to have an edge when you go through Air Force undergraduate pilot training? If either answer is yes, then this

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course is for you!

AETCFC is a one-week course designed to give cadets ages 15 and older an introduction to how the Air Force conducts its flight training. The course provides students the opportunity to attend class and observe and learn side-by-side with real Air Force student pilots.

This is an academically intense course that offers behind-the-scenes tours of facilities like the air traffic control tower, aircraft maintenance hangars and parachute shop. Cadets will also receive briefings on the mission and operations of a flight training wing, academics and physiological training. Highlights may include a ride in a T-1A Jayhawk or a chance to fly a full-motion flight simulator with an actual Air Force instructor pilot!

AIR FORCE PARARESCUE ORIENTATION COURSE Kirtland AFB, N.M. June 23-30 + \$150

The pararescueman's creed is, "That others may live." For generations, they have gone where few others dare -- to rescue the fallen behind enemy lines. Join some of the elite this summer at

PJOC is a one-week course for cadets ages 15 and older that is planned and conducted by Air Force active duty, Reservists, the 342nd TRS and the Air Force Pararescue Jumpers School. The course introduces cadets to techniques used by Air Force pararescuemen while actively participating in various facets of Air Force pararescue training. Curriculum includes land navigation, survival techniques, rock climbing, rappelling and other skills used in rescue operations

You must be in good to aboveaverage physical condition for this program, which involves a lot of calisthenics and running. A physical fitness test will be administered at the start of the activity and the instructor will be required to send home any cadets who cannot meet the physical standards

AIR FORCE SPACE COMMAND **FAMILIARIZATION COURSE** Patrick AFB, Fla. July 30 - Aug. 6 + \$150 Peterson AFB, Colo. July 16-22 + \$150 Vandenberg AFB, Calif. July 16-22 + \$150

Would you like to have the opportunity to spend a week immersed in Air Force space operations? Would you like the chance to have a unique experience learning about cutting-edge 21st century technology? This course for cadets 15 and older provides an in-depth look at Air Force Space Command.

Cadets who choose the course at Patrick AFB will experience behind-thescenes tours, briefings and guest speakers on the various aspects of America's missions and roles in space. Cadets will get first hand opportunities to meet the many talented men and women of the 45th Space Wing and NASA supporting the exciting business of space launch and exploration. In previous years, cadets visited the Range Operations Control Center.

where all launches from Cape Canaveral are controlled and tracked, and historical launch sites from the Mercury and Apollo programs. They also viewed a Titan rocket launch and a GPS satellite and Delta rocket on the launch pad. In addition, cadets may visit NASA's Kennedy Space Center, where they will see elements of the International Space Station being prepared for flight.

Peterson AFB participants will visit the home of AFSC. Here, they will learn about orbital mechanics, domestic and foreign launch capabilities, satellite command and control systems, space surveillance systems, ballistic missile warning systems and ICBM facilities.

Orientation tours can include NORAD and ICBM sites, where cadets will have the opportunity to meet the men and women who are at the heart of space operations. You will also get to visit the Air Force Academy, where the future leaders of the Air Force study and train.

Those who attend the Vandenberg AFB course will see how the Air Force trains personnel for careers in space and missile operations and visit a launch pad, missile silo, control capsule and more.

For all courses, we recommend you have a knowledge of the concepts discussed in: "Aerospace: Journey of Flight" parts 5 and 6 and "Aerospace Dimensions" modules 4, 5 and 6 before attendance. If possible, we also recommend you complete the requirements for the "CAP Cadet Rocket Badge," if offered in your unit.

CIVIC LEADERSHIP ACADEMY Washington, D.C. Feb. 25 - March 4 + \$275

Note: This activity has a supplemental selection process.

The CLA fosters cadet officers' civic growth by increasing their leadership skills, civic responsibility and overall interest in the democratic process. Not your average field trip to Washington, the academy is an opportunity for 24 of CAP's brightest cadets to explore their government and learn how the three branches and the media interrelate. Cadets will increase their ability to lead persuasively, articulate a well-reasoned message and develop a consensus for their position. Culminating with CAP Legislative Day, CLA cadets will meet with congressional leaders to help them better understand CAP's worth to America

During their week in Washington, CLA cadets will visit the Capitol, Supreme Court, State Department, CIA, Air & Space Museum and many major national monu-

In terms of academic credibility, the National Association of Secondary School Principals has placed the CLA on the National Advisory List of Contests and Activities for 2005-06.

Eligibility requirements as follows Earned the Mitchell award by Nov. 1, 2005 and be at least 16 by Feb. 25, 2006. COS and IACE graduates are preferred.

The application process is as follows By Nov. 1, submit a completed CAPF 31, endorsed by your unit and wing commanders, to NHQ at the address listed at the end of this section:

Include a one-page resume outlining your cadet program, aerospace education

✓ Include a 250- to 350-word essay on one of the following topics. Identify two ways to participate in the political process other than by voting and describe why each of those activities is worthwhile, or explain why trust and confidence in government has declined in recent

and emergency services experiences;

decades and describe what effect, if any, that decline has had on civic life in America

Include a recent photo of yourself wearing the Air Force-style blue uniform;

Include a one-page letter of recommendation.

Selection process is as follows:

✓ NHQ collects and screens all applications and then forwards them to region headquarters for final selection:

v each region selects three cadets to attend the academy; and

 ► NHQ will notify all primaries and alternates via e-mail in early December.

A \$250 activity fee is due on Jan. 1 for all cadets selected as primaries. (Fee covers meals, lodging and course activities. Arrangements may be made to pay the fee in installments.)

Mail, fax or e-mail applications to: CAP NHQ/LMPD, Attn: Civic Leadership Academy, 105 S. Hansell St., Maxwell AFB, AL 36112; Fax (334) 953-6891; or email to clafond@cap.gov.

AIR FORCE WEATHER AGENCY **FAMILIARIZATION COURSE** Offutt AFB, Neb. June 15-23 + \$160

Considering a career in meteorology, or planning a science major in college or looking for a unique training activity? Interested in tornadoes and severe storms or thinking about adding to you meteorology skills? If so, then the AFWAFC at Offutt AFB, Neb., is for you!

The course is designed to promote interest in meteorology careers in the Air Force Weather Agency and aerospace careers that require knowledge of weather systems. Students receive training in weather interpretation, contour mapping, severe weather analysis, storm spotting (this is not storm chasing!), and spaceweather environment and tour the Strategic Air Command Museum. Cadets interested in these topics should mark "Weather School" on their application.

The AFWAFC is open to cadets who have completed the Rickenbacker achievement and have attended an encampment. (Preferably, cadets should be a sophomore or junior in high school; however, seniors or college students majoring in meteorology or other weatherrelated careers will not be excluded from consideration.) Senior members should be working in an operational weather capacity, such as disaster preparedness or damage assessment.

For those who have previously attended this activity or have had equivalent training, an advanced course is also available during these same dates

CADET OFFICER SCHOOL Maxwell AFB, Ala. June 19-29 + \$200

Note: This activity has a supplemental selection process

The COS is patterned after the Air Force's Squadron Officer School, and is an academically challenging course for cadets ages 16 and older. The school is an indepth study of leadership skills, and is divided between lecture, seminar and

hands-on training.

Instructors guide cadets through the Air Force approach to the psychology of leadership, problem-solving techniques, effective writing, effective speaking and group dynamics

In addition to classes and seminars, a wide variety of top military and industry leaders discuss their experiences with the cadets. Topics include human relations, critical thinking, leadership and national security issues.

COS graduation has its own award ribbon designation on the uniform -- a silver star on the Mitchell ribbon -- and it confers the NCSA ribbon.

ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGIES ACADEMY Auburn University, Ala. July 15-22 + \$200

Wright State University, Ohio July 8-15 + \$200 Do you want to pursue an aerospace career? Are you interested in cutting-

edge aerospace technologies? Are you considering becoming an engineer but are unsure of your aptitude or even what engineers do? If that sounds like you, then you should attend one of the "E-Tech" activities

At E-Tech, you will be introduced to several engineering disciplines by completing hands-on projects and learning from professors and NASA researchers at a leading university. Some of the planned activities include:

Aerospace and fiber engineering investigating what's unique about composite materials, and then designing and constructing a carbon-fiber airfoil that you'll test in a smoke tunnel;

v industrial-systems engineering" learning how design affects engineering applications by participating in labs that test your balance, dexterity, strength and other human factors:

✓ mechanical engineering — exploring Auburn's race cars and award-winning solar-powered house; or

material engineering - checking out electron microscopes and learning how engineers decide which materials to use for aerospace applications.

To participate, you must meet the following eligibility requirements by the course date:

Completed 9th grade:

Be age 15 or older;

Completed Phase I of the CAP Cadet Program; and

Completed an encampment.

HONOR GUARD ACADEMY McDaniel College Westminster, Md. July 9-22 New students + \$550

Returning students/staff + \$500 The Honor Guard Academy's objective is to provide leadership training to cadets and seniors that will enable them to introduce the honor guard program to their unit, wing and region. The program contributes to the Drug Demand Reduction Program, and to recruiting and retention through a highly visible public relations program, as those members become ambassadors for the CAP.

Cadets will be trained by the Air Force Honor Guard in three of the four honor guard elements - ceremonial/demonstration (rifle maneuvers part of the

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demonstration element), colors element and funeral element. The fourth element - drama - focuses on the Drug Demand Reduction Program; students will receive instruction from the senior staff. Cadets must complete a rigorous training schedule that requires 10-12 hours per day of standing while twisting, throwing rifles and marching, plus additional physical fitness training

For new students, the cost is \$425, and includes lodging and facilities, food, cadet handbook, laundry, instruction manual, HGA patch, a yearbook on CD or printed copy, tours, six T-shirts, three pairs of shorts, parade belt with buckle, gloves, baseball hat, honor guard cord, performance rifle, ascot with the honor guard patch and rear chin strap for male service hat (cadet supplies hat). Note: If you have problems locating a service hat, contact the activity director.

Senior members who wish to serve as staff and become part of the honor guard family must complete the application procedures as set forth by NHQ and provide information on their knowledge of the position for which they are applying. Each staff member must be able to complete assigned duties without supervision. All staff members will be expected to perform multiple duties while at the academy; therefore, one staff member may hold several positions. Positions to be filled are: Instructors, finance officer, administrative officer, safety officer, tactical officers, medical officer, transportation officer, public affairs officer and logistics officer.

For more information, please refer to the HGA Web site at www.cap_honorguard.org or contact the activity director, Lt. Col. Jett Mayhew at jettm14@aol.com.

INTERNATIONAL AIR CADET **EXCHANGE** Worldwide

July 15 - Aug. 2 + \$200 Note: This activity has a supplemental selection process.

All cadets who turn age 17 by July 1, 2006, and have earned the Amelia Earhart Award by Dec. 31, 2005, are invited by the CAP national commander and NHQ staff to apply for the 2006 International Air Cadet Exchange. We want your to be our U.S. ambassadors!

Approximately 70 cadets will be selected to participate in the 2006 exchange, and 18 senior member escorts will be needed to accompany them. Individuals will be selected to visit one of 17 countries -- Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Finland, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Israel, Japan, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Singapore, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey or the United Kingdom.

In addition to being the guests of a foreign country, most participants selected will spend two days getting to know their government and discovering their heritage in Washington, D.C.

Personnel should plan to begin their travels around July 15 and return home on Aug. 2, unless selected for Singapore. Those selected for Singapore will travel to that country in May because of the rainy season. You must specifically request Singapore to be considered for

that exchange

This year's application procedures for IACE are as follows

✓ Interested cadets and senior members apply using the CAPF 31 and the same application procedures as listed for the other national activities

online applicants will be sent a supplemental application package that must be completed and returned electronically by Dec. 31, 2005;

v cadets selected to participate must have earned their Amelia Earhart Award by Dec. 31, 2005; and

v cadets must be at least 17 years of age before July 1, 2006, and not have reached their 21st birthday by the third day of August 2006. Escorts must be at least 25 years old, in excellent health and meet CAP physical and appearance standards.

Wing and region commanders will be sent a list of all applicants for their approval. Air transportation, lodging and meals are provided by the Air Force, CAP and host countries. The goal of this excellent and rewarding opportunity is to foster international understanding, goodwill and friendship among young people around the world who share a common interest in aviation. There are some minor expenses such as passports, spending money and a few IACE uniform items, and, of course, a positive attitude.

HAWK MOUNTAIN SEARCH & RESCUE SCHOOL

Hamburg, Pa. July 8-6 Cadet Basic Course + \$125; Cadet Advanced Course + \$125; Field Medic Course + \$200; Senior Basic Course + \$125; Senior Advanced Course + \$150; Team Commanders Course + \$200 Special Advanced Course + \$125. Note: Hawk applications are not handled

Hawk Mountain SAR School has a proud history of providing outstanding emergency services training. The school is conducted in the mountains of Pennsylvania under field conditions, is physically demanding and open to both cadets and seniors. For specific course information, visit the Hawk Web site at http:// pawg.cap.gov/hawk

by NHQ!

For all cadets and senior members applying to Hawk, you will need to submit a fully completed CAPF 31, with your wing commander's signature, directly to Pennsylvania Wing Headquarters, Bldg. 3-108, Fort Indiantown Gap, Annville, PA 17003. Mark the outside of the envelope "Hawk." Do not send Hawk applications to NHQ. Do not apply for any other activity on the same CAPF 31 you send to the PA Wing for Hawk. Hawk will accept applications until May 15, 2006.

To serve as Hawk staff, members must complete a series of seven weekend training activities prior to the school. Returning students must indicate "Returning Student - Request Squadron (name of squadron here)" on top of the front page of the CAPF 31 in red ink. For (squadron requested), indicate advanced, medic, expert or team commander. Squadron assignments will be made by the school

Those selected will be notified by e-mail (if available) or by U.S. mail and will be

provided details about the school and requirements. Again, we encourage you to visit the Hawk Web site at http:// pawg.cap.gov/hawkwebsite for more information

Requirements for all applicants (cadets and seniors);

✓ Current CAP membership

✓ at least 13 (or graduated 7th grade) by July 9, 2006:

completed achievement 1 (cadets

only, Curry Award); CPFT Category 1 (see CAPR 52-18) at Hawk sign-in;

 ✓ properly completed CAPF 31;
 ✓ completed CAPT 116, Emergency Service Questionnaire, CAPT 117 (provide proof of completion); and

 ✓ completed Level 1 Orientation Course and Cadet Protection Policy Training -seniors only

Note: To assist the staff in selecting the best candidates, provide relevant experience on your CAPF 31, page 2, by listing your training, experience and certifications.

Include copies of the following docu-

✓ Prior Hawk course card(s);

✓ ranger grade card(s);

certificates, diplomas, letters of completion for courses such as Wilderness, Navigation and SAR Training;

r first aid cards and related training certifications; and

CAPFs 101, 101T and 76.

The \$125 Hawk fee is not refundable. Students who complete Hawk can wear the NCSA ribbon and school "LL patch. Cadets and seniors are not authorized to wear any distinctive ranger uniform items (such as web belts and scarves) outside of the Pennsylvania Wing.

NATIONAL EMERGENCY SERVICES ACADEMY Camp Atterbury, Ind.
National Ground Search & Rescue School **Team Leader Course** July 30 - Aug. 5 **Basic Course** July 23-29 & July 30 - Aug. 5 **Advanced Course** July 23-29 & July 30 - Aug. 5 Wilderness First Responder Course July 23-29 \$155 for each Mission Base Staff School **Basic Course** July 23-29 **Advanced Course** July 30 - Aug. 5 \$155 each

Mission Aircrew School Mission Observer Track & Mission Pilot Track July 29 - Aug. 5 \$155 for each **NESA Staff Dates** (Based on staff assignment)

Note: This activity has a supplemental selection process.

Have you been looking for a quick way to meet the requirements for getting qualified in emergency services or to refresh your skills and see the latest search and rescue techniques in the field? Then NESA is just what you have been waiting for. This special activity gives hundreds of members the opportunity to train in emergency services qualifications in NHQ-certified

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courses. All courses are held at Camp Atterbury, just 35 miles south of India-napolis. Qualified CAP, Air Force and industry experts conduct the courses. Housing and meals are provided at Camp Atterbury for all participants.

The academy is offering several courses this year in the NGSAR, MBSS and MAS. The following is a summary of the courses in each school with prereq-

NGSAR - Two basic courses will be conducted to train personnel to become ground team members; two advanced courses to expand on basic team member training; and a team leaderspecific course will be run to provide training for those eligible to become team leaders. Additionally, for personnel interested in field medical training, we've added a Wilderness First Responder Course to the NGSAR school that will be instructed by personnel from the U.S, Public Health Service

Personnel interested in attending the basic or advanced courses must be at least 13 years of age at the start of the course and have completed general emergency services training. The Advanced and Team Leader courses require basic course completion (or equivalent); personnel applying to attend the Team Leader Course must also be at least 18 years of age at the start of the

People interested in attending the Wilderness First Responder Course must be basic course graduates or qualified ground team members, at least 15 years of age and physically fit, as they will be expected to actively participate in field transport of patients and lift heavy objects of 100 pounds or more. All NGSAR participants will spend the majority of the course in the field and will be required to sleep in survival shelters or tents during several of the school's exercises and training missions.

ICSS - One basic course will be held that will focus on training entry-level mission base staff personnel to be mission radio operators, staff assistants, unit leaders and branch directors, including ICS 200 level training

Additionally, one advanced course will be conducted to train section chiefs, the command and general staff and incident commanders. Applicants for the basic course must be at least 15 years of age at the start of the course and have completed general emergency services training

Applicants for the advanced course must be graduates of the ICSS basic course or have equivalent training (ICS 200 level training must be completed prior to arrival; training is available online via the FEMA Independent Study Program at http://training.fema.gov/ EMIWeb/IS/is200.asp) and be at least 16 years of age. Note: Cadets participating in these courses may complete many knowledge requirements and practical skills but cannot qualify for many of the specialties as they do not meet the minimum age requirements specified in regulations

MAS - This course will be conducted in two tracks -- mission observer and mission pilot. All training will cover the requirements for aircrew members as

established in the current emergency services regulations. All applicants must be at least 18 years of age at the start of the course, have completed general emergency services training and be mission scanner qualified. They will be expected to forward a copy of the last six months of their flight logs once tentatively accepted, if applicable. Personnel applying for the Mission Pilot Track will be required to have a current CAPF 5 in a Cessna C-172 or C-182 when they arrive.

All personnel interested in applying for any of the courses to be held at the 2006 NESA will be expected to apply online directly to NHQ. Wing commanders or their designee are required to approve participation in the course, but a formal signature on an application will not be necessary

Applicants are encouraged to notify their wing commander or designee approving applications through the chain of command when they apply so the wing commander is not surprised when NHQ contacts them requesting approval. Applications will be accepted on a firstcome, first-served basis

Personnel interested in attending NESA should visit http://homestead.com/ngsar/ home.html to review additional information and apply online. Credit card info will be collected when applying

We expect applicants will be tentatively accepted within two weeks of applying and charged their fees. If a wing commander or designee informs the project officer an applicant is ineligible to attend for any reason ("red-lining" the candidate), the applicant will receive a full refund

Applicants who cancel out from a course once they have been tentatively selected will not receive a full refund. A minimum fee of \$10 will be collected for administrative costs. However, applicants may be responsible for the full fee depending on when they cancel out of the activity. Generally, no refunds will be given after June 1, 2006.

All cadets interested in attending NESA must have completed a basic encampment prior to attending any courses.

Personnel interested in attending more than one course at the NESA can do so consecutively, but must coordinate their participation with the academy director or project officer in advance to avoid scheduling conflicts.

We expect this year's academy will be a great course for both experienced and inexperienced personnel to really become involved in emergency services. For more information, contact the academy director, Maj. Gary Brockman, via phone at (317) 897-4598 or e-mail at pathfinder@tcon.net, or the project officer, Lt. Col. John Desmarais, via phone at (334) 953-4228 or e-mail at dos@capnhq.gov.

NATIONAL BLUE BERET Oshkosh, Wis. July 18-31 + \$195

Have you ever been to an air show? Picture an air show where hundreds of thousands of people come to see the many wonders of aviation. In real life, that picture is the Experimental Aircraft Association's annual AirVenture fly-in at Oshkosh, Wis.

For cadets ages 16 and above, and selected senior members, the National Blue Beret offers the chance to work one

of the largest and most prestigious air shows in the world. NBB participants must already have their CAPF 101 General Emergency Services Rating prior to NBB. The CAPF 101T annotated for Ground Team Member, the CAP Form 76 and a current standard first aid card are highly desirable.

CAP and EAA will provide training for you to help support the air show. Each participant will work several areas of the air show, including the flight line and exhibits. Training will include techniques of aircraft marshaling and electronic direction finding. Cadets will be encouraged to take advantage of once-in-alifetime events that often occur during the air show.

> NATIONAL FLIGHT ACADEMY GLIDER TRACK Berry College, Rome, Ga. July 12-22 Mattoon, III. July 16-24 (tentative) California **Date TBD**

\$850 each

Interested in flying like an eagle? Well you can at one of CAP's many NFAs. Each course gives students the opportunity to get in the cockpit of a sailplane with a certified flight instructor. Learn the basics of skillfully maneuvering a nonpowered aircraft and enjoy the quiet wonder of thermalling as you develop skills you can take into powered flight training. This is a unique flight

experience for cadets. For cadets who have previously completed this course or received equivalent training elsewhere, an advanced glider track is also available.

You must be at least 14 years old by the start date of the activity to attend.

NATIONAL FLIGHT ACADEMY POWERED TRACK Camp Ashland, Neb. June 15-29 Muskogee, Okla. Date TBD Fort Pickett, Va. July 9-16 Oshkosh, Wis. June 10-19 Oshkosh, Wis. June 24 - July 3

Do you want to take the first step in becoming a pilot? Attending one of the national flight academies will get you started in the right direction.

\$850 each

NFAs, which are based on the Air Force's Flight Screening Program, offer a cadet real-time instruction in a Cessna C-172. Certified flight instructors provide instruction and encouragement as you receive 10 hours of hands-on flight time while learning the basics of flying a powered aircraft.

When coupled with 25 hours of ground instruction and the opportunity to fly as an observer while other cadets receive instruction, you are preparing for the next step in obtaining a private pilot license. Depending on which NFA you attend, you may visit aviation museums, aircraft reconstruction hangars and air traffic control towers.

To attend, you must be at least 16 years old by the start date of the activity. We recommend you have an FAA Type 3 Medical Certificate completed prior to attending the academy.

OTHER CADET ACTIVITIES

AVIATION CHALLENGE Huntsville, Ala. Dates & fees vary

Note: NHQ does not process these applications

AVIATION CHALLENGE is a fun sixday program packed with military aviation training for people ages 7 and up, including adults.

Activities include intense fighter pilot flight simulation, land survival training, water survival and aviation academics. Lessons include aeronautics, aerodynamics, propulsion, flight physiology, aviation history, aircrew equipment and ejection procedures.

Campers stay in bunk-bed style dorm rooms. Tuition, from \$700 to \$1,000, includes all meals, lodging and program materials but does not cover transportation. Cadets should apply using the procedures found at the AVIATION CHALLENGE Web site at www.spacecamp.com. Call Blake Mathis at (800) 241-5104 for more information and or to learn about specials for CAP members. Cadets who successfully complete AVIATION CHALLENGE may wear the NCSA ribbon.

SPACE CAMP PROGRAMS Huntsville, Ala. Dates & fees vary

Note: NHQ does not process these applications

SPACE CAMP is a fun six-day program jam-packed with astronaut training for ages 7 and up, including

Activities include simulated space shuttle missions, IMAX movies, training simulators (like the 1/6th gravity chair), rocket building and launches, scientific experiments and briefings on space exploration. Participants stay in bunk-bed style dorm rooms. Tuition, from \$700 to \$1,000, includes all meals, lodging and materials; it does not cover transportation. Call to see what program level you qualify for. Levels are based on age at time of camp. Cadets should apply using the procedures found on the SPACE CAMP Web site at www.spacecamp.com. Call Blake Mathis at (800) 241-5104 for more information and or to learn about specials for CAP members. Cadets who successfully complete SPACE CAMP may wear the NCSA ribbon

EAA AIR ACADEMY Oshkosh, Wis.

Dates vary ◆ Fees vary Cadets may attend any of these special EAA academy programs, as well as the EAA First Flights Academy, at the same rates as EAA members. Scholarships are also available to cadets details at www.eaa.org/education/ scholarships. EAA Air Academy graduates are authorized to wear the NCSA ribbon. Programs are supervised and administered by top-notch aviation instructors with more than 200 years of combined teaching experience

All camps are conducted at the EAA Leadership Center in Oshkosh, with the residence portion of the program at the impressive Air Academy Lodge just a grass runway across from EAA's Leadership Center. To learn more, visit academy Web site at www.eaa.org/ education/youth_programs.html. NHQ does not process these applications.

2006 CAP SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Each year, Civil Air Patrol provides academic and flight scholarships to deserving cadets and seniors who meet the eligibility requirements. More than \$200,000 is available, so apply today before it's too

Members may track their application status online on the scholarships page at www.cap.gov/cadets. Applications will still be submitted via U.S. mail, as that remains the best way to send test scores, letters of reference, etc. Here's why we use online:

User-friendly - members may check their application's status to see when it was received and note whether it is complete or incomplete;

Manager-friendly - unit commanders and directors of cadet programs at every level may monitor applications from members in their units; and

Saves money - by reducing the need to correspond with applicants via U.S. mail, CAP saves money and provides better service, especially to members who change their mailing address.

BASIC ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

The following criteria apply to all scholarships, unless noted otherwise in the various scholarship announcements:

✓ Must be a current CAP member:

✓ have earned the Gen. Billy Mitchell. Award or attained the senior rating in the Cadet Programs Officer Specialty Track;

possess and maintain an academic and discipline standard acceptable to the school: and

✓ be enrolled in a full-time course of study during the academic year for which the scholarship is awarded.

BASIC APPLICATION PROCEDURES

The procedures that follow apply to all scholarships, unless noted otherwise in the scholarship description.

Submit to CAP National Headquarters (NHQ) a completed CAP Form 95, Application for CAP Scholarship endorsed by your squadron and wing commander. Attach transcripts, test scores, etc., as specified on the reverse of the CAPF 95. To help ensure application materials remain together, send the application, transcripts etc., as a single packet - avoid sending multiple mailings to NHQ if possible.

When applying for multiple scholarships, submit a completed CAPF 95 and required supporting documents for each. It is sufficient to send photocopies of official transcripts, provided the original transcripts are included with one of the application packages

Send application packages to HQ CAP/LMPN, Attn: Scholarship Committee, 105 S. Hansell St., Maxwell AFB, AL 36112-6332 postmarked by Jan. 31, 2006. Late and incomplete applications will not be considered.

Upon receipt, NHQ reviews each application for completeness and notifies members of their application's status via the Web. About two weeks after mailing an application to NHQ, visit the scholarship Web page to check your application's status. This Web page will indicate whether the application has been accepted as complete or will identify what

documents are needed to complete the application. No special code is needed to access the page, but applications are sorted by CAPID (individual names are not listed).

It is the applicant's responsibility to submit all application materials on time and to verify the application's status via the scholarship Web page. Members who do not have Internet access in their home are encouraged to access the page at a public library or a friend's home. Incomplete and illegible applications will not be considered.

The scholarship Web page will also be used to announce scholarship winners by March 31. Checks will be mailed to each recipient's home address by April 30.

Accountability

If requested, scholarship recipients must provide NHO with a record of all academic work completed while on scholarship.

ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS

Academic scholarships are monetary awards used to support post-secondary education. Monies are sent directly to the recipient and are to be used for tuition, books, or room and board. Scholarship recipients must ensure the money is used responsibly. Applicants may pursue any course of study. Four types of scholarships are offered.

Undergraduate scholarships are awarded to selected applicants who have completed less than 60 credit hours prior to the start of the fall semester in which the scholarship is awarded.

Advanced undergraduate scholarships are awarded to selected applicants who have completed at least 60 credit hours prior to the start of the fall semester in which the scholarship is awarded.

Graduate scholarships are awarded to selected applicants who have or will have by the end of the academic year a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or univer-

Technical/vocational scholarships are awarded to selected applicants who will be attending a post-secondary trade, technical or vocational school.

Special eligibility requirements

✓ Must be a high school graduate or hold a GFD

✓ must be accepted to a college/school or provide proof an application has been made: and

✓ must attend an accredited post-secondary school or college.

Application requirements

Attach the following to the CAPF 95 and forward to NHQ (HQ CAP/LMPN):

✓ Official high school or college transcripts for the past three years;

✓ scores on ACT/SAT college entrance exams (graduate students may substitute

✓ statement of acceptance from an accredited college or university or proof that application has been made

✓ recent photo demonstrating proper wear of CAP uniform; and

v no more than three letters of recom-

Selection procedures

A scholarship committee selected by NHQ will score the applications. The committee evaluates applicants in the following areas: Academic achievement, CAP accomplishments and activities and extracurricular or community service activities.

** New ** **TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY CORPS OF CADETS**

Are you interested in continuing your study of leadership in a military/cadet environment while attending a high-caliber college? Texas A&M University will make up to 10 scholarships available annually to CAP cadets who attend the university and enroll in its cadet corps.

A&M is highly competitive academically. Students with strong academic and extracurricular leadership backgrounds are favored. To learn more about the A&M cadet corps, visit www.aggiecorps.org. The scholarship application process is relatively simple, with the majority of the process enabled on the A&M Web site.

Step 1: Determine whether you meet A&M's enrollment requirements. Current requirements, as well as the online application and other vital information about A&M and the cadet corps can be viewed at www tamu edu. (Note: You must be a senior in high school or a transfer from another university to apply. Applications are now being accepted and applicants are advised to apply as quickly as possible.)

Step 2: Complete the online application and pay the application fee. If you have any questions or need assistance with the application, please contact Sqt. Mai. Dennis Hastings at (800) 826-8247 or sam-hastings@tamu.edu

Step 3: Go online at www.jcap-tamu.org/ scholarship and complete the scholarship application form. If you need assistance or have questions please contact Sgt. Maj. Hastings. You will need two letters of recommendation - one from a CAP senior member. You will be contacted by A&M via mail and telephone to discuss your interests.

Step 4: Concurrent with making an application to the university, submit to HQ CAP/LMPN a completed CAPF 95, Application for CAP Scholarship signed by your squadron and wing commanders. Be sure to note you are applying for the Texas A&M Scholarship on your application.

Step 5: Upon acceptance to Texas A&M, the cadet corps and HQ CAP will review your application and make the appropriate recommendation

Step 6: Scholarships are effective upon enrollment and good standing in the university and the cadet corps. Scholarships will enable out-of-state students to be eligible for an out-of-state tuition waiver - a savings of up to \$7,000 per year.

AUBURN UNIVERSITY ENGINEERING

Auburn University in Auburn, Ala., may award a \$6,600 scholarship to a CAP cadet who majors in fiber engineering, textile chemistry or textile management and technology at Auburn. The recipient will study in a department that performs research affecting aircraft structures, NASA satellites and other aerospace applications. "E-Tech" graduates are encouraged to apply.

To apply, follow the procedures listed above for academic scholarships and apply for admission to Auburn University. Thereafter, NHQ will provide additional information on how to complete special application procedures required by Auburn. For additional information about Auburn University and the Textile Engineering Department, visit www.auburn.edu and www.eng.auburn.edu/txen.

DOWLING COLLEGE SCHOOL OF AVIATION

Dowling College sponsors annually a one-year scholarship valued at \$8,000 and two one-year scholarships valued at \$4,000 for CAP members who enroll in the Dowling College School of Aviation. This scholarship is also open to senior members. For more information about Dowling College, visit www.dowling.edu.

ORDER OF DAEDALIANS FLIGHT SCHOLARSHIPS

The Order of Daedalians, a national fraternity of military pilots, awards five \$2,100 flight scholarships in the name of former CAP National Commander Maj. Gen. Lucas V. Beau to help deserving cadets earn their FAA private pilot's license. The scholarship may not be used to obtain additional ratings. Applicants who have earned their solo badge or graduated from an aerospace-related special activity are encouraged to apply.

Special eligibility requirements:

Be a current CAP cadet and aspiring military aviator

✓ have earned the Gen. Billy Mitchell Award:

✓ be at least 16, but not have turned 19 on June 1, 2005; and

✓ possess vision 20/50 or better (corrected to 20/20)

Apply using CAPE 95. Younger cadets who are unable to provide SAT/ACT scores or college information should attach a short note of explanation.

Send completed application to HQ CAP/LMPN, postmarked by March 1, 2006. Semifinalists will be required to participate in a telephone interview in March.

NHQ screens and rank-orders the applications. The Daedalians make the final selection and announce their decision in May. Scholarships are paid by reimbursing flight training expenses incurred between June 1, 2006, and May 31, 2007. All applicants will automatically be considered for a CAP General Aviation Flight

AIR FORCE CHIEF OF STAFF **SCHOLARSHIP**

A \$1,500 college scholarship is automatically awarded in the name of the Air Force chief of staff to CAP's Cadet of the Year. For more information about the award, see CAPR 39-3.

COL. CLARA E. LIVINGSTON CADET SCHOLARSHIP

This \$4,000 educational scholarship, named after aviation pioneer, CAP member during Word War II and former Puerto Rico wing commander Col. Clara E.

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NEWSFRONT

CAP aerospace education deputy director receives UAA award for AE contributions

Vicki Terrinoni Staff Writer

NATIONAL HEADQUAR-TERS — The deputy director of Aerospace Education at Civil Air Patrol National Headquarters was awarded the University Aviation Association's Laursen Award.

Judy Rice, 52, received the award for her outstanding contributions in the field of aerospace education.

"I'm honored and humbled because what I do is from the heart and soul," Ms. Rice said. "I was born with wings and always wanted to fly, but I was a girl and was told girls couldn't fly. I want every young person to be able to follow their dreams."

The UAA is a nonprofit organization that plays a pivotal role in promoting degree-grant-

ing aviation programs representing all segments of the aviation industry at colleges across the nation.

Rice, of Prattville, Ala., is like the Pied Piper of dreams. "I'm all about kids and getting them to dream, which is why this is such a wonderful award. It's recognition from the industry and aviation as a whole about the importance of reaching out to kids and about spreading the message of dreaming through the CAP,"

Ironically, Ms. Rice did not begin flying until she was 39, and it took her a year to get her pilot's license. Now she holds a private pilot's license, instrument rating and is a certified flight instructor.

Her dream of flying was revived by her then 10-yearold son who wanted to fly.

She bought him a lesson for his birthday and when he was leaving the plane he told the instructor his mom always wanted to fly. The instructor told her to get in and gave Ms. Rice her first lesson. "My son was the one who helped me remember my dreams," she said.

A. Scott Crossfield, a UAA member and friend to CAP, nominated Ms. Rice for the award. "I'm deeply involved in many facets of aerospace education and unequivocally believe that Judy Rice has few, if any, peers in dedication to affording our youth the value in diverse thought, knowledgeable and inspirational aerospace education," he said.

Under her leadership, Mr. Crossfield said, the CAP AE division has reached more than 1,500 educators and 50,000



Photo by Joe Panza

Judy Rice, deputy director of Aerospace Education at Civil Air Patrol National Headquarters, prepares to fly an essay contest winner from the Montgomery, Ala., area on an orientation flight in her single-engine Grumman Yankee. Ms. Rice was recently named the winner of the University Aviation Association's Laursen Award for her significant contributions to aerospace education in America.

students in the classroom.

Ms. Rice has received several awards, including the EAA Outstanding Ground Volunteer Award, Minnesota Governor's Award for Excellence in Aerospace Education,

Wisconsin Aerospace Educator and CAP's National Congress on Aviation and Space Education Crown Circle Award.

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Livingston is available only to Puerto Rico cadets (as stated in Col. Livingston's will). For more details, contact the Puerto Rico

GENERAL AVIATION FLIGHT SCHOLARSHIPS

CAP may offer General Aviation Flight Scholarships to help cadets attain a private pilot's license. The number of scholarships and the award amount will depend on funds available. Applicants who have earned their solo badge or graduated from an aerospace-related special activity are encouraged to apply.

Special eligibility requirements:
Be a current CAP cadet;

have earned the Mitchell award;

✓ be at least 16 on June 1, 2005. Apply using CAPE 95. Younger cadets who are unable to provide SAT/ ACT scores or college information should attach a short note of explana-

Send completed application to HQ CAP/LMPN, postmarked by March 1, 2006

THE SPAATZ ASSOCIATION **AEROSPACE LEADERSHIP** SCHOLARSHIP

The Spaatz Association annually sponsors scholarships to help cadets advance their flight training from solo to private pilot. A limited amount of the scholarship may also be used to attend a CAP leadership

Special eligibility requirements:

✓ Be a current CAP cadet who has earned the Mitchell award;

✓ earned solo wings in a powered

✓ maintain a 3.0 GPA (normalized);

w have not been selected for a similar scholarship or grant.

For application procedures and deadlines, visit www.spaatz.org. While NHQ helps publicize this scholarship, it is funded by TSA, which selects the scholarship recipients. Apply directly to TSA not NHQ.

U.S. AIR FORCE ACADEMY PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Each year, NHQ submits recommendations to the U.S. Air Force Academy for one cadet to attend the academy's prep school. The school's one-year program (valued at more than \$32,500) greatly increases a student's potential for admission to the academy. It is a fantastic opportunity for cadets who might not otherwise qualify for appointment to the acad-

In recent years, academy officials have exceeded their annual commitment of admitting one CAP cadet to the prep school. For each of the past few years, the academy has selected from among the NHQ recommendations a coupleof cadets to attend the academy and a couple to attend the prep school, and has awarded a

couple of cadets Falcon Foundation Scholarships, which have helped them eventually earn appointments to the academy.

All cadets aspiring to attend the academy are strongly urged to apply for CAP's prep school recommendation

Eligibility requirements

✓ Be a current CAP cadet and have earned the Mitchell award;

be at least 17, but not yet 22, on July 1 of the admitting year; be a U.S. citizen or assured of citizen-

ship before graduation;

be unmarried and have no legal dependents

✓ be of high moral character;

be medically qualified for an appointment to the academy; and

Inot have previously attended a service

Application for CAP's recommendation to the academy prep school is a two-part pro-

Part A: USAFA Application - Applicants must first apply directly to the academy using their Application for Admission, available at www.academyadmissions.com. Cadets must request the application by Dec. 31 of their senior year. USAFA must receive the completed application by Jan. 31

Part B: CAP Application - Complete a CAPE 95 and attach all documents required of academic scholarships, plus

A memo stating you are single and have no legal dependents

a copy of your birth certificate;

a recent full-length 4- x 6-inch photo in the Air Force-style blue uniform; and

✓ letters of recommendation (maximum)

Applicants under 18 - parents must in-

clude a signed memo stating they will permit their son or daughter to attend the prep school if offered admission.

A scholarship committee selected by NHQ will grade the applications and select cadets to recommend to academy officials using the following criteria:

✓ SAT or ACT scores

✓ high school academic record, including GPA, type and level of courses, AP test scores, attendance and scholastic

✓ performance as a CAP cadet, including achievement level, participation in activities, demonstrated leadership ability and physical fitness:

v extracurricular activities outside of CAP, including youth and church organizations, school and sports activities, and community service:

roper wear of the CAP uniform, as shown in the photograph; and

✓ other factors including unit and wing commander endorsements, letters of recommendation and demonstrated leader-

Applications receiving CAP recommendations will be forwarded to the academy, and officials there will make the final selections and announce them in the spring, usually in April.

SPECIAL SCHOLARSHIPS

The top four applicants for academic scholarships, as scored by the scholarship committee, will each receive a \$1,000 scholarship sponsored by USAA or Who's Who Among American High School Students, in lieu of a CAP corporate scholarship of lesser value.

2005 CAP Annual Conference marks new era of leadership

Maj. Gen. Pineda, Brig. Gen. Glasgow take reins as top leaders

Civil Air Patrol's 2005 National Board Meeting, set close to where Lewis and Clark launched their exploration of the American west, CAP embarked on a new era of its own with the election of two national leaders and four national staff officers.

With CAP's North Central Region hosting the conference from Aug. 18-20, more than 750 CAP volunteers from across the nation, Puerto Rico and Hawaii drove and flew to St. Louis to witness the ascension of CAP National Commander Maj. Gen. Antonio J. Pineda and CAP National Vice Commander Brig. Gen. Rex E.

Alongside the glittering St. Louis Gateway Arch and the majestic "Mighty Mississippi" and inside the grand salon of the Adam's Mark Hotel, members watched Maj. Gen. Pineda and Brig. Gen. Glasgow raise their clutched hands in the traditional

Maj. Gen. Pineda began his CAP career as a senior member of the Florida Wing's West Broward Composite Squadron when he and his son, Robert, joined in 1988. Since that time, he has completed all levels of the CAP Senior Training Program, having received the Garber, Loening, Yeager and Wilson awards. He attended both the Southeast Region Staff College and National Staff College and is a graduate of the National Commanders Course and Air Force Air Command and Staff College.

Maj. Gen. Pineda holds an associate degree in police science and criminology from Miami Dade Junior College, a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from Florida International University and he has completed numerous specialized courses in law and criminal justice. The general also holds a Federal Aviation Administration private pilot license.

"I'm very excited about the future of CAP," Mai. Gen. Pineda said. "Our organization is already one of the greatest civilian organizations in the country,



From left, Brig. Gen. Rex E. Glasgow and Maj. Gen. Antonio J. Pineda raise their clutched hands in victory after being elected by the CAP National Board to serve as CAP's national vice commander and national commander respectively. The election took place during CAP's 2005

but I hope to make it even better."

Brig. Gen. Glasgow began his command in CAP as a squadron commander in 1997 at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, where he built the East Iowa Cadet Squadron into a unit with more than 70 members. He also served as the lowa Wing cadet programs officer and professional development officer, while serving as a squadron commander. He was selected as the Iowa Wing commander in January 2000 and then as the North Central Region commander in June 2002. As region commander, he was responsible for CAP operations in seven states, which included more than 4,850 members, 53 aircraft, 75 vehicles and an annual budget of more than \$250,000.

Maj. Gen. Pineda said this year's conference was one of the best ever because of the camaraderie he witnessed while there and because each day's events were so well organized.

Not surprisingly, the general's confidence shined upon hundreds of CAP members' faces as they partook of 60 cutting-edge learning labs, visited dozens of exhibitions and enjoyed CAP's annual recognition ceremony.

This year's spotlight illuminated Cadet of the Year Col. Michael L. Parker of the Arkansas Wing, Senior Member of the Year Maj. Janeen Hales Chazell of the Utah Wing and dozens of other outstanding CAP volunteers. The conference also presented a wealth of opportunity for young cadets to dazzle senior members with their savvy and military bearing.

For Missouri Wing's Cadet Capt. Greg Gullberg, nothing could compare to his chance of a lifetime - to serve as Maj. Gen. Pineda's aide.

"It was a very good experience," said Cadet Gullberg, the Spirit of St. Louis Composite Squadron cadet commander and Missouri Wing Group II Cadet of

Cadet Capt. Gullberg, a senior at Hazelwood Central High School in Florissant, Mo., plans to be an airline pilot. For the time being, he couldn't have flown higher at the conference than he did.

"This was a great opportunity to take it all in and understand more about the CAP," Cadet Capt Gullberg said.

The conference allowed time for this uplifting of members and the attention to important board agenda items.

In fact, by the time the CAP National Board had concluded its meeting, several items had been approved. CAP Regulation 70-1, CAP Acquisition Regulation and CAPR 173-2, Financial Procedures for CAP Regions and Wings all met board approval, and the board gave its official blessing to a new National Cadet Officer of the Year Program.

During the conference, the CAP National Board also confirmed Maj. Gen. Pineda's selections for positions on the CAP National Executive Committee:

O Col. Larry D. Kauffman of Hainesport, N.J., national chief of staff;

Ocol. Fredric K. Weiss of Holland, Pa., national finance officer;

Ocl. J. Rock Palermo III, of Sulphur, La., national legal officer; and

Col. Rodney F. Moody of Sophia, W.V., national controller.

Chief of Chaplain Services Col. Charles E. Sharp of Pine Bluff, Ark., and Inspector General Col. William S. Charles II, of Novi, Mich., will remain in their respective positions.

CAP members who attended also enjoyed speeches from Maj. Gen. Pineda; Jack Pelton, CEO and president of Cessna Aircraft Co.; and one of

CAP's own, former CAP Georgia Wing cadet and now-NASA astronaut Air Force Lt. Col. Eric Boe.

In other business, several top CAP officials, including then CAP-U.S. Air Force Commander Col. George C. Vogt and CAP Executive Director Don Rowland, updated board members on improvements in financial management, fund-raising and appropriations for wing administrators, among a host of other issues at the CAP National Headquarters level.

Mr. Rowland said the annual conference accomplished a great deal in just a few days. "Our annual conference barely lasts a week but, during that time, we marked and celebrated the promotions of Mai. Gen. Pineda, Brig. Gen. Glasgow and many others; we educated members with more than 60 information-packed learning labs; and we honored the sacrifices and accomplishments of our volunteers," he said. "I believe this year's meeting will be a springboard to an exciting new era for CAP!

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Lt. Col. Eric Boe

All in all, the positive and productive conference left many members with just one thought in mind: "2006 - Reno, here we come!"

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Members attend an Information Technology Learning Lab one of 60 offered during the conference.





CAP National Commander Maj. Gen. Antonio Pineda, center, has his new stars "pinned on" by Air Force Lt. Gen. John Regni, then Air University commander, and Maj. Gen. Pineda's wife, Rosemarie, during a postbanquet promotion ceremony.



A CAP blood donor and Red Cross volunteer share a happy moment during the CAP-sponsored threeday blood drive.



Left, CAP Historical Foundation Deputy Director and Texas Wing member Lt. Col. Jack Faas meets with conference attendees in the exhibit hall.



CAP National Commander Maj. Gen. Antonio Pineda, right, presents Cessna CEO Jack Pelton with a memento following the CEO's keynote address to the general assembly attendees.



CAP members practice their **CPR** skills during a Red Cross-sponsored first aid training session.

Lifetime Achievement Award Col. Gerald M. Quilling - Minnesota Life Membership

James L. Mallett - Alabama Maj. Gen. Dwight H. Wheless - North Carolina Senior Member Brewer Award Lt. Col. Clarence O. Hauck - Mississippi Cadet Member Brewer Award

Cadet 2nd Lt. Michelle B. Mattingly - Maryland **Individual Brewer Award** Richard A. Ortega - Florida Col. Robert V. "Bud" Payton **National Public Affairs Officer** of the Year

Mai, Lisa Van Clief - New Jersey Wing George Texido Legislative Officer of the Year

Lt. Col. Nick Critelli - Iowa Wing Safety Officer of the Year Capt. Lawrence Mattiello - Texas Paul W. Turner Safety Award Rhode Island Wing Historian of the Year

Lt. Col. Roger N. Thomas - Florida Senior Chaplain of the Year Chap. (Lt. Col.) James S. Hamilton - Nebraska

Squadron Chaplains of the Year Chap. (Lt. Col.) Kenneth D. Wood - New York Chap. (Lt. Col.) Gary W. Rae - South Dakota

Moral Leadership Officer of the Year Maj. Timothy J. Steppan - South Dakota Logistician of the Year

Capt. Charlene F. Shidisky - Virginia Communications Officer of the Year Lt. Col. Steven R. Haney - Texas Norm Edwards Counterdrug Officer

of the Year Award Lt. Col. Paul E. Falavolito - Pennsylvania

2005 CAP Annual Award Winners

Senior Member of the Year Maj. Janeen Hales Chazell Utah Wing



Outstanding Drug Demand Reduction Wing Delaware Wing **National Aerospace Education Awards** First Place - Florida Wing Second Place - North Carolina Wing Third Place - Wisconsin Wing

Aerospace Education Awards New York Wing (NER) North Carolina Wing (MER) Wisconsin Wing (GLR) Florida Wing (SER) Minnesota Wing (NCR) Texas Wing (SWR) Idaho Wing (RMR)

Washington Wing (PCR) Mission Awards/Counterdrug New York Wing (NER)

Delaware Wing (MER) Indiana Wing (GLR) Alabama Wing (SER)

Cadet of the Year Cadet Col. Michael L. Parker Arkansas Wing



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CIVIL AIR PATROL NEWS

The 1960s saw a 30-year veteran general assume command of CAP-U.S. Air Force as Maj. Gen. Walter B. Putnam re-

placed Brig. Gen. Willam W. Wilcox

In September 1978, CAP's "biggest and best" national board meeting was held at the **Hyatt Regency** Hotel in Phoenix with more than

1,200 members attending.



The Civil Air Patrol News celebrated its 20th anniversary in November 1988, while Massachusetts Wing volunteers rescued a pilot whose plane had crashed in

mountainous terrain.



In November 1995, in one of the biggest assemblies to honor CAP in decades, World War II veterans of CAP received recognition in front of a huge lun-

cheon crowd of aviation enthusiasts in Atlantic City,



In November 1998, 20 Maryland Wing members pulled a 150,000-pound Boeing 727-200 jet 12 feet to help raise more than \$76,000 for Special Olympics, while Membership

Services and Information Systems at CAP National Headquarters redesigned a new Windows-based membership system.



California Wing's Clover Field Composite Squadron color guard presented the colors Aug. 16, 2000, to open the third day of the

Democratic National Convention at the Staples Center in Los Angeles.



In September 2001, the terrorist attacks on America made an everlasting impact on the lives of its citizens, and CAP was there to help

during the disaster.

37 YEARS OF SERVICE COMES TO END

This month's issue of the Civil Air Patrol News brings about a bittersweet moment in the publication's history of service to the members of CAP. Not only does it mark the publication's 37th anniversary, but also the final issue of the newspaper as the organization gears up to introduce a glossy full-color bimonthly magazine in January 2006.

The Civil Air Patrol News has been in existence since November 1968 when it replaced the CAP Times newspaper. And for the past 37 years, CAP's premiere internal publication has been the source of a host of significant stories - from search and rescue missions and saves to unit events and organizational changes to recognizing new leaders and award winners.

As the newspaper now makes way for the new CAP magazine, no one can predict how the organization will change or who its new leaders will be or how many saves will be written about in the years to come. But one thing is for certain, a cutting-edge internal CAP publication complete with a motivated and professional staff will be there to document the incredible stories and accomplishments of CAP's "everyday heroes" who so vigilantly perform missions for America.

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The volunteer efforts have been recognized by the U.S. Air Force, which recently bestowed resounding praise on CAP in its daily online and e-mail news summary called AIM

"CAP provided and will continue to provide for the United States and the Air Force unique, cost-effective capabilities and is a true force multiplier," part of the summary at the AIM Points Web site stated.

While hundreds of CAP members traveled to Louisiana and Mississippi, many others contributed time, effort and money from their home states.

Following are the some of the contributions members made in Katrina's wake:

Members of CAP's Kentucky Wing manned a telephone bank set up in the state's Emergency Operations Center in Frankfort, Ky., to receive contributions of labor and supplies;

Members of the New York Wing's Amelia Earhart Composite Squadron in Yonkers collected \$3,253 in donations for the city's Hurricane Katrina Relief Fund at an A&P Supermarket in Yonkers, N.Y.;

Members of the Oklahoma Wing flew two aerial damage assessment teams to hurricane-damaged areas;

Members of the Texas Wing's Apollo Composite Squadron helped process more than 700 critically injured and sick hurricane victims at Ellington Field in Houston. Squadron members also set up and operated a self-contained, long-distance radio station that was manned by squadron cadets for 12-hour shifts;

Members of the Texas Wing's Group 13 assisted the 447th Support Squadron of the Texas State Guard and the 147th Fighter Squadron of the Texas Air Guard in support of their relief efforts. The operation involved helping medical personnel move sick and injured people from C-130 and C-141 aircraft to triege areas and ambulances:

Members of the Kansas Wing helped man a Red Cross shelter set up in Topeka, Kan., to receive hurricane evacuees:

More than 200 members of the Florida, Alabama, Texas, Mississippi, Nebraska and Pennsylvania wings volunteered throughout coastal and rural neighborhoods in Mississippi to check on victims and distribute basic supplies;

Members of the Florida Wing helped collect, box and load planes with supplies for shipment to the disaster areas from the Lantana Airport in Palm Beach County, Fla.;

 Members of the Tennessee Wing's Tullahoma Composite Squadron helped organize and pack items destined for Gulfport, Miss., at the request of the American Red Cross and Tennessee Emergency Management Agency;

Members of the Pennsylvania Wing's Quakertown Composite Squadron collected donations to support the Star of Hope Mission in Houston:

Members of the New Mexico Wing collected \$10,000 in donations;

Several aircraft and aircrews with the Arkansas Wing mobilized to



Wisconsin Wing's Capt. Gary Thelan communicates via radio with CAP ground team members conducting relief operations in Mississippi from inside the wing's mobile state-ofthe art incident command center. A five-member command center team deployed to Mississippi Wing headquarters at Hawkins Field Airport in Jackson, Miss., and played a critical role in providing communications in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina. Making up the team were team commander Lt. Col. Dan Ritchie, and radio operators Maj. Scott Glamann, Capt. Thelan and 2nd Lts. John Foxall and William Salm. Capt. Thelan and 2nd Lt. Salm are also mission pilots, while Maj. Glamann and 2nd Lt. Foxall are ground team leaders.

help in storm-damaged areas of Mississippi and Louisiana;

 Members of the Alabama Wing's Baldwin County Composite Squadron from Gulf Shores flew over the Caribbean Mercy in Mobile, Ala., and took aerial shots of the relief ship;

A five-member team of the Wisconsin Wing under the direction of Lt. Col. Dan Ritchie manned CAP's state-of-the art incident command center:

Members of the California Wing's San Luis Obispo Composite Squadron collected, organized and packed donations for shipment to CAP's composite squadron at

Lackland Air Force Base, Texas;

Members of the Missouri Wing's Fort Zumwalt Falcon Cadet Squadron assisted the St. Louis Chapter of the American Red Cross in establishing a shelter for hurricane survivors at the St. Louis International Airport; and

Sixteen members of the Illinois Wing assisted with disaster relief efforts in Louisiana and Mississippi.

Editor's note: The premier January 2006 issue of the Civil Air Patrol magazine will feature a wrap-up feature story on all of CAP's hurricane relief efforts conducted during the summer and fall of 2005.

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removing gloves, before and after toileting. Do not touch your face or rub your eyes unless your hands are clean. Eat and drink in the cleanliest area available, and avoid contact with standing water. Wash exposed areas with soap and water.

Protective gloves can aggravate skin rashes with constant moisture. Cotton glove liners may be helpful. Those with breaks in the skin or skin conditions such as psoriasis may be more prone to contract skin infections.

Respiratory protection may be needed if working around mold or other airborne contaminants. Drink only bottled water if no other safe supply is available, including water for brushing your teeth.

Diarrheal illnesses

If you contract a diarrheal illness, drink lots of fluids and use immodium or bismuth (Pepto-Bismol) to reduce stool frequency. If symptoms persist more

than two to three days, you have difficulty staying hydrated or have a fever or blood in your stool, seek medical attention immediately.

Mental support

Contact family or friends for mental support. Try to maintain a regular eating and sleeping schedule. Take breaks away from the work area whenever possible. Bring some comfort items such as a family photo and spiritual or religious materials, or items to pass the time such as books.

Post deployment

Keep a record of where and when you worked and the hazards you were exposed to. Also keep records of any injuries or illness that occurred while

If you experience any symptoms after your return, such as rash, fever, respiratory or gastrointestinal symptoms, seek medical attention immediately.

For more information on health issues in flood areas, check the Center For Disease Control's Emergency Preparedness Web site. Select "Natural Disasters, flood" at www.bt.cdc.gov.

One last issue to address in this column — an action-item for all CAP Health Services personnel. In order to know what our resources are for future missions, I'm asking all HS personnel to enter their medical profession in the database. Go to the CAP Web site at www.capnhq.gov, log in, go to eServices, then go to personal information at the top of the screen and click on the edit button. This will pull up a screen with a box for profession. New items have been added to the pull-down menu to better characterize health professionals. Choose the job title that comes closest. Currently only 10 percent of members have professional information in the CAPWATCH database. Help us update the database as quickly as

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MAJOR TIMOTHY, J. STEPPAN, CAP, DISTINGUISHED HIMSELF BY CONSPICUOUS, HEROIC ACTION ON 12 FEBRUARY MAJOH TIMOTHY J. STEPPAN, CAP, DISTINGUISHEN INIGESTE TO ONS FIGUROUS, REPORT OF THE BOART 2004. MAJOR STEPPAN, A DEPARTMENT FOREMAN AT THE JOHN MORRELL PLANT WAS RETURNING TO HIS DEPARTMENT WHEN HE WAS MADE AWARE OF A LARGE AMMONIA LEAK SEEPING THROUGHOUT THE PLANT. HE DEPARTMENT WHEN HE WAS MADE AWARE OF A LANGE AMMONIA LEAR SEEPING THROUGHOUT THE PLANT. AND OBSERVED SEVERAL PEOPLE IN THE FIRST WAVE OF EVACUEES SEEKING AID AT THE FIRST AID EYATION. MAJOR STEPPAN THEN RUSHED TO ENTER HIS DEPARTMENT, BUT WAS TOLD HE COULD NOT ENTER. HE ASKED IF ALL THE WORKERS WERE OUT AND WHEN NO ONE SEEMEDTO KNOW HE CALLED INTO HIS DEPARTMENT AND FOUND OUT THEY WERE UNAWARE OF THE LEAK. MAJOR STEPPAN TOLD HIM TO SHUT DOWN AND EVACUATE EVERYONE. AFTER LEARNING THE AMMONIA LEAK WAS HIGHLY CONCENTRATED NEAR HIS DEPARTMENT AND IT BLOCKED. THEIR PRIMARY AND SECONDARY EMERGENCY EXITS, WITH COMPLETE DISREGARD FOR HIS OWN PERSONAL SAFETY, MAJOR STEPPAN WENT TO WARN THEM AND HELP THEM TO SAFETY. AFTER PUTTING ON AN AMMONIA FILTER MASK, HE LOCATED SEVERAL WORKERS ATTEMPTING TO GET OUT THROUGH A BLOCKED PASSAGE AND FILTER MASK, HE LOCATED SEVERAL WORKERS ATTEMPTING TO GET OUT THROUGH A BLOCKED PASSAGE AND REDIRECTED THEM TO A PASSABLE EXIT AND CONTINUED ON TO HIS DEPARTMENT. HE WAS TOLD THERE WERE SEVERAL WOMEN IN A LOCKER ROOM ON THE FOURTH FLOOR. HE FOUND ABOUT A DOZEN WOMEN HUDDLED AROUND A BROKEN WINDOW TRYING TO BREATHE. THEY HAD TRIED ALL EXITS AND FOUND THE AMMONIA CONCENTRATION IMPASSIBLE. MAJOR STEPPAN TOOK OFF HIS MASK AND PUT IT ON ONE WOMAN WHO WAS PREGNANT AND LED THEM OUT THROUGH A STAIRWAY. IN THE STAIRWAY, THEY SOON HIT A VERY HIGH CONCENTRATION OF AMMONIA THAT LITERALLY SUCKEDTHE BREATH OUT OF THEM, BURNING THEM WHENTHEY INHALED. THE PREGNANT WOMAN BECAME TERRIFIED AND FOUND IT DIFFICULT TO MOVE QUICKLY SO MAJOR STEPPAN URGED HER BY PARTIALLY SUPPORTING HER. WITH HIS EYES BURNING SEVERELY AND WATERING HEAVILY. AND AIR NEAR 100 PERCENT AMMONIA MAKING BREATHING NEAR IMPOSSIBLE MAJOR STEPPAN WAS STEPPAN UNGED HEH BY PARTIALLY SUPPORTING HER. WITH HIS EYES BURNING SEVEHELY AND WATERING HEAVILY, AND AIR NEAR 100 PERCENT AMMONIA MAKING BREATHING NEAR IMPOSSIBLE, MAJOR STEPPAN WAS FINALLY ABLE TO LEAD THEM TO THE EXIT. MAJOR STEPPAN'S QUICK THINKING, HEROIC ACTION AND COMPLETE DISREGARD FOR HIS OWN PERSONAL SAFETY REFLECT GREAT CREDIT UPON HIMSELF, THE SOUTH DAKOTA WING AND CIVIL AIR PATROL.

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CONNECTICUT -

Twelve Charles K. Hamilton Composite Squadron members attended the National **Emergency Service Academy** at Camp Atterbury Army Base in Edinburgh, Ind.

Three cadets were recognized during the acad-

Cadet Staff Sgt. Michael Laposky Jr. was recognized as the academy's most outstanding noncommissioned officer.

Cadet 1st Lt. Stephen Roberts, deputy cadet commander, was given a citation for distinguished service to the academy for teaching the incident command school.

Cadet Capt. Joseph Truiillo served on the basic NESA staff and won a second week at the academy

Cadets attending the basic NESA were 2nd Lts. Micah Edge and Malachi Edge; Staff Sgt. Michael Laposky Jr.; and Airmen James Greenia, Jacob McCandless and Kristopher Klavitter.

Cadets attending the advanced NESA were 2nd Lt. Adam Trujillo; Chief Master Sgt. Josiah Roberts; and Staff Sgts. Josiah Kosswig and Timothy Sawyer. Before attending the advanced academy, these cadets successfully completed a basic ground search and rescue school at the Rhode Island Wing during the spring. These cadets also have Federal Emergency Management Agency training.

On their way to Indiana, the cadets camped out at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, and visited the Air Force Museum there. Capt. Robin Trujillo **NEW HAMPSHIRE** -

New Hampshire Wing Assistant Chaplain (Capt.) Michael Morison was presented the New Hampshire National Guard Distinguished Service Medal at the New Hampshire National Guard Headquarters in Concord, N.H.

Making the presentation to Chaplain Morison was Adjutant General Maj. Gen. Kenneth Clark.

The award is presented for distinguished service to the New Hampshire National Guard by a civilian or member of the National Guard who qualifies by performing civilian service in the Guard.

Chaplain Morison has been a member of the New Hampshire Wing for two years. He also serves as the pastoral associate at St. Peter's Church in Concord. Chaplain Morison did a directed study at Weston Jesuit School of Theology on grief and loss concentrating on military family separation and traumatic loss.

As a CAP chaplain and at the request of the New Hampshire National Guard state chaplain, Chaplain Morison serves under Air Force Military Support Authorization in the Guard's Joint Force Command Headquarters chaplains office. Since Jan. 1, 2004, he has been very active with the family support ministry of the National Guard, providing pastoral care and support to military families. This includes attending weekly and monthly meetings, and providing programs for family groups. Units mobilized during Operation Iraqi Freedom benefited from his efforts to provide family support through his military outreach at St. Peter's Church.

Chaplain Morison has attended deployment briefings and assisted with staffing the chaplains table. Returning soldiers have also benefited from his counseling and assistance with the marriage enrichment program during the reverse Soldier Readiness Process. Chaplain Morison has also been very active in the New Hampshire Wing working with moral leadership officers and at cadet

encampments. He has provided about 1,600 hours of service to the Guard from Jan. 1, 2004 to March 31, 2005.

Maj. Penny H. Hardy

NEW JERSEY - Two Twin Pine Composite Squadron cadets found themselves in the middle of a real emergency near Hammonton,

As part of the Air Force's annual review of the search and rescue capabilities of the New Jersey Wing, aircrews and ground crews were assigned to various simulated missions throughout the state.

That morning, cadets 2nd Lt. Jay Henderek and Master Sgt. David Pankove were assigned to a ground crew whose first mission was to locate a simulated small plane crash near Hammonton in the Wharton State Forest. This crew had successfully "rescued the pilot" and was proceeding to its second assignment of locating the passengers of the plane and sensitive documents they were carrying.

En route on the second task, the ground crew came upon an accident involving a mini-van and a Verizon truck. While senior members began first aid and directed traffic around the accident, Cadet Henderek informed mission base at the Trenton-Mercer Airport of the situation. Personnel at this site immediately called 911.

Cadets Henderek and Pankove demonstrated their training had prepared them well. While Cadet Pankove was monitoring the Hammonton Police Department and the Hammonton Fire/EMS frequencies, he heard a request for a landing zone to be cleared for an emergency evacuation helicopter. In a matter of minutes, members of the CAP rescue crew cleared a space for the landing.

The injured were quickly evacuated and treated, with none of them sustaining serious injuries.

Capt. Robert J. Bousquet

NEW YORK - Long Island Group members were notified by the U.S. Coast Guard that an emergency locator transmitter had been activated.

Maj. Jack Ozer of the Long Island Group, incident commander, sent out an alert to members.

Within 45 minutes, members of the Col. Francis S. Gabreski and Suffolk Cadet squadrons responded to the alert and were ready to begin the mission.

After plotting the coordinates originally given to them by Major Ozer, the ground team left for the area where the beacon was believed to be. Group members used a CAP aircraft from the Southwestern Group based in Westchester, N.Y., which relayed coordinates to the ground team below.

The Long Island Group Headquarters served as the mission base. Within three hours of their departure from mission base, the ground team located the ELT at the general aviation ramp at JFK International Airport in Queens, N.Y. The ELT was found in a Cessna C-172 that arrived from Virginia. The aircraft had clipped its wing tip in a minor accident while taxiing on the ramp. The pilot was unaware the accident had set off the ELT.

Maj. Fenech was very proud of all the members of the team which contributed to the successful mission and credited their success to the constant emergency services training and the "great coordination between the ground team, mission base and the aircraft above.'

Gabreski squadron members participating were senior members Maj. Lou Fenech, 1st Lt. Nathan Hillard and 2nd Lt. James Ridley; and cadets Jim Ridley, Colin Martin, Corey Alvarez, Kevin Krause, Stephanie Filiberto, Steven Zerafa and Dallas Weise.

Suffolk squadron members participating were senior member Capt. Pete Cubano and Cadet Adam Ozer.

2nd Lt. James A. Ridley Sr.

PENNSYLVANIA -

Thirty-seven cadets and nine senior members with the Harrisburg International Composite Squadron were given a flight on an Air National Guard C-130 transport plane from the

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Guard headquarters at Harrisburg International Airport in Harrisburg, Pa.

Their flight destination was Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton, Ohio, and the Air Force Museum

The scheduled training flight for Air National Guard pilots and crew was a "thankyou" from the 193rd ANG to Harrisburg squadron members who provided assistance at several Air National Guard functions in 2004.

Lt. Col. Donald Greenfield, squadron commander, invited other squadrons to participate, including members from Capitol City Composite, Lebanon VFW Cadet, Williamsport Composite and Keystone County Cadet squadrons

Maj. Sara Shenefelt

MIDDLE EAST REGION

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DELAWARE MARYLAND NATIONAL CAPITAL * NORTH CAROLINA * SOUTH CAROLINA VIRGINIA * WEST VIRGINIA

MARYLAND - Capt.

David Lawlor was named commander of the Frederick Composite Squadron during a change-of-command cer-

Lt. Col. Arthur Liberty, Maryland Wing's Group 1 deputy commander, presided over the ceremony.

Capt. Lawlor succeeds Maj. Richard Palace, who served as squadron commander for two years.

Capt. Lawlor has served as the squadron's moral leadership officer since March

"I want us to be a squadron of leaders and problem solvers, selfless in duty and courageous in integrity," he told the assembled squadron members who attended the ceremony

The captain is certified as a CAP mission scanner and mission observer. He also has his Federal Aviation Administration private pilot's license

with single- and multi-engine ratings, and an instrument rating for both. He has one find to his credit as a former CAP mission pilot.

He previously served in the California Wing for almost five years as the moral leadership officer with the Redwood Empire Squadron. and as the deputy commander of the wing's Group 5 for eight

Capt. Lawlor has completed Level IV of the Senior Training Program, the Unit Commanders Course, Corporate Learning Course and Squadron Leadership School. He has earned the CAP Moral Leadership Officer masters badge and Aerospace Education Award. He has served as operations officer, information systems officer, flight release officer, assistant personnel officer and public affairs

Capt. Lawlor, 34, is chief financial officer and chief operating officer of PCTEL Maryland Inc., a wireless test equipment company in Germantown, Md. Before that he was a senior manager for eight years at Hewlett-Packard/Agilent Technologies.

Originally from Dublin, Ireland, he is married to the former Amanda McPherson. They have four children: Connor, Barry, Wesley and Fiona.

1st Lt. Steven Solomon

NORTH CAROLINA -

Cape Fear Composite Squadron members provided voice communications and land navigation training for the Army Reserves 1355th Transportation Operating at Sunny Point Military Ocean Terminal in Southport, N.C.

Leading the training was Capt. Paul Milner with the Cape Fear squadron, who also served for 24 years in the same Reserve unit.

In cooperation with First Sgt. Bruce Templeman of the 1355th TROC, Capt. Milner developed a six-weekend course covering 20 different areas. These tasks range from orienting a map to communicating via tactical radio. These tasks were based on the Soldier's Manual of Common Tasks and each participant received credit for participating. The focus of Capt. Milner's class was how to determine an azimuth and a back azimuth using a

military map and protractor.

Following the class, 1st Lt. Anthony Blair taught students outside how to orient a map to the ground and how to use terrain during orienteering. Capt. Timothy Alford taught CAP prowords and the phonetic alphabet during the tactical radio communications segment of the training.

Capt. Milner then briefed the TROC members on prohibitive practices, types of messages and the standardization of voice communications in a tactical situation. Every participant was given the opportunity to reinforce what they had learned with a hands-on practical exercise. 2nd Lt. Elizabeth Butrim assisted by acting as a National Communications System representative. Members used their handheld radios to get on the Internet, nad receive and send a message

Cape Fear squadron cadets assisting during the training by serving as demonstrators and test evaluators included 2nd Lt. Kyle Grandin, Chief Master Sgt. Jason Butrim and Airman Basic Bailey Fex.

"These cadets did an outstanding job," said Capt. Milner. "They helped us reach the course's objective — to familiarize soldiers with land navigation and communications for possible mobilization.'

All test results were given to the unit training noncommissioned officer. Tentative plans have been made to continue this type of training

in the area of search and rescue when land navigation and communications has been completed.

2nd Lt. Elizabeth Butrim

SOUTH CAROLINA -

The Murrells Inlet Cadet Squadron has become an official cadet squadron of the Middle East Region.

Maj. Dan Farrow, South Carolina Wing vice commander, and Mark Rutan, Air Force procurement liaison officer, traveled to the squadron's headquarters in Murrells Inlet, S.C., to present the official certificate to 1st Lt. Duane Hackler, squadron commander.

Attending the presentation were most of the squadron's 22 cadets and 17 senior members, along with many family members and friends, who enjoyed refreshments following the charter presentation.

During the second half of the meeting, the squadron participated in the monthly moral leadership meeting led by Chaplain (1st Lt.) Larry Monday with the Florence Composite Squadron.

Sr. Mbr. Linda A. Hackler

VIRGINIA - Six cadets and five senior members with the Montgomery Composite Squadron participated in a bivouac at a horse farm in Giles County, 50 miles from Roanoke, Va.

The owners of the wooded, mountainous property allowed the squadron to use it for emergency services training.

The members participated in many activities, including direction finding, orienteering, fire building, communications and team building. Sr. Mbr. Lori Anne

Sheppard, squadron moral leadership officer, commented on how much fun the participants had and how activities like this were very important to squadron unity. The bivouac required members to depend on, learn from and ultimately trust each other.

Members participating were cadets 1st Lt. James Lee and Airmen Evan Brook, Travis Brown, James Johnston, Karelyn Ribbe and Ethan Slusser; and seniormembers Majs. Jason Garretson and Ami Iacono, 1st Lt. C. Shaun Lacy, and Sr. Mbrs. Christopher Brown and Lori Anne Sheppard.

Maj. Ami A. Iacono

WEST VIRGINIA -

Seventy-one West Virginia Wing cadets and 13 out-ofstate cadets graduated from the 2005 West Virginia Wing summer cadet encampment at Camp Dawson near Kingwood, W.Va.

Camp Dawson, the training base for the West Virginia National Guard and Army Special Forces, provided interesting activities and tours for the cadets during the week-long encampment.

Cadets built and launched model rockets and received orientation flights in Blackhawk and "Huey" helicopters assigned to the 167th Air National Guard in



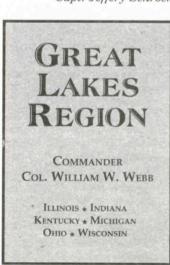
An encampment flight commander salutes, indicating he's ready for pass and review during the 2005 West Virginia Wing cadet summer encampment at Camp Dawson Army National Guard Training Facility near Kingwood, W.Va.

Martinsburg, W.Va. The group also learned water and land survival skills from the Air Guard's life support staff.

The encampment ended with a pass-in-review ceremony, followed by graduation. During graduation ceremonies, the following awards were handed out to outstanding cadets of the encampment:

- → Winner of individual drill competition — Airman Camichellle Spencer, Charleston Cadet Squadron;
- → best out-of-state cadet Airman 1st Class Stephanie DeMora, Delaware
- → most-improved cadet -Airman Andrew Mitchell, Martinsburg Composite Squadron;
- → outstanding NCO award - Chief Master Sgt. Joshua Khune, Parkersburg Composite Squadron;
- * distinguished graduate awards — Chief Master Sgt. Chris Mason, Martinsburg Squadron; Airman 1st Class Jeffrey Majarian, Delaware Wing; Airman 1st Class Cody Khune, Parkersburg Squadron; and Staff Sgt. Joleen Dawson, Clarksburg Composite Squadron;
- → outstanding cadet of the encampment — Airman 1st Class Erica Ferguson, Wheeling Composite Squad-
- → outstanding cadet officer - 2nd Lt. Justin Ross, Parkersburg Squadron; and
- → honor flight commander - 2nd Lt. Austin Ross, Parkersburg Squadron, "Alpha" Flight.

Capt. Jeffery Schrock



ILLINOIS — Cadet Sarah Ondracek with the Lewis Composite Squadron



Lewis Composite Squadron Cadet Lt. Col. Sarah Ondracek pose for a photo after receiving her Gen. Ira C. Eaker Award during a ceremony at squadron headquarters in Romeoville, III.

was presented her Gen. Ira C. Eaker Award and promoted to the grade of lieutenant colonel.

Maj. Judy Healy, Lewis squadron commander, presented the award during a promotion and awards ceremony at squadron headquarters in Romeoville, 111

Cadet Ondracek joined CAP in May 1987 and has been active in various activities, including International Air Cadet Exchange. She also served as the cadet deputy commander during the 2005 Illinois Wing Summer Encampment.

Other cadets receiving promotions during the ceremony were:

→ Tech. Sgt. Colleen Ondracek - master sergeant; → Staff Sgt. David Miller

technical sergeant; 🤧 Airman Brian Miller – airman 1st class; and

→ Airman Basic Nathan Macejak - airman.

2nd Lt. Daniel Wynard

MICHIGAN - Kellogg Field Senior Squadron aircrews participated in a search and rescue competi-

"We were looking for a new approach to make training more interesting and thought a competition would be a good way to motivate the crews" says Maj. Edmond Verville, squadron com-

The participants formed their own crews and then multiple targets were placed on the ground in the area. The members were then given a realistic scenario and took off to locate the targets.

The crew that found the most targets and completed every task satisfactorily was 1st Lt. Rick Crepas and 2nd Lts. Pat Murphy and Mike Sandstrom.

"It was an excellent way to practice and we feel it really helped us to remain proficient for our missions." said 1st Lt. Crepas

Mike Sandstrom

OHIO - Three Columbus Cadet Squadron members received their Gen. Billy Mitchell awards.

Cadets Stephanie Keane, Daniel Schoessler and Andrew Testaguzza received their awards and were promoted to second lieutenant.

Cadet Keane has been a CAP member for three years. She served as cadet staff at the 2005 Ohio Wing Encampment, was appointed squadron recruiting noncommis-

sioned officer in 2004, and was a member of the squadron color guard in 2003. She is a 17-yearold senior at Harding High School in Warren, Ohio

Cadet Schoessler has been a member of CAP for two vears and has served as an element leader, flight sergeant and first sergeant. He is

serving on the noncommissioned officer support staff as a recruiting officer and holds the position of aerospace education officer. He is an 18year-old homeschooled student.

Col. Charles Carr, Ohio Wing commander, presented cadets Keane and Schoessler their Mitchell awards during the Ohio Wing Encampment.

Cadet Testaguzza has been a member of CAP for two years. He has served as an element leader, flight sergeant, guide and guidon bearer, and currently serves as flight commander. He is a 17-year-old student at Bexley High School in Bexley, Ohio. Cadet Testaguzza has not been presented his Mitchell yet, but was promoted to second lieutenant.

Cadet Master Sgt. Evan

WISCONSIN - Walco Composite Squadron received the Wisconsin Wing's 2005 Squadron of Merit award during the wing's annual conference held in Wisconsin Dells, Wis.

Col. Clair Jowett, Wisconsin Wing commander, presented the award to Walco squadron member Maj. Reigh

Two squadron members also received awards during the conference. Cadet Lt. Col. Marty Wright was selected as the Wisconsin Wing Cadet of the Year and Great Lakes Region Cadet of the Year, and Maj. Reigh Neukirch received the Gill Robb Wilson Award.

Maj. Robert H. Thomas

SOUTH-EAST REGION

COMMANDER COL. MATTHEW SHARKEY

> ALABAMA * FLORIDA GEORGIA * MISSISSIPPI PUERTO RICO

ALABAMA - Col. Bruce Gearhart and members of the Autauga-Elmore Composite Squadron took an orientation flight aboard a C-130 transport plane over Gadsden, Ala.

The flight was arranged by Air National Guard 20th Special Forces Maj. Davenport, and Maj. Susan Phillips of the Redstone Composite Squadron, and sponsored by an Air Force Reserve aircrew from the 94th Airlift Wing at Dobbins Air Reserve Base,

Cadets and senior members visited the airborne displays in the Gadsden Airport and watched multiple jumps by members of the 20th Special Forces before the flight.

The cadets also observed the ground training and jump readiness skill exercises of the parachutists prior to their assembly and airlift for the drops which occurred over the flight line

Members participating



From left, Maj. Robert Thomas, Walco Composite Squadron commander, accepts the Wisconsin Wing's Squadron of Merit Award from Col. Clair Jowett, Wisconsin Wing commander, during the wing's annual conference.

were cadets Kristal Lamberth, Allison Brock, Candace Childress, Zavius Godfrey, James Epstein, Lisa Raines, Christopher Smithson and Nicole Moats.

Sr. Mbr. Randall Richardson

FLORIDA - Boca Raton Composite Squadron members Lt. Col. Herb Miller and Capt. Charles Schack were honored for their 50 years of service to

Capt. William Mordan, squadron commander, presented 50-year plaques to each senior member

After completing his service with the Air Force, Col. Miller joined a CAP squadron in 1949 in Brooklyn, N.Y. At one point in his CAP career, he was the Brooklyn Group commander with seven squadrons and more than 500 cadets reporting to him. He has been active in CAP's counterdrug operations.

Capt. Schack began flying in 1941 out of Flushing Airport in New York. He started volunteering with CAP in 1953, and remains

active in his unit as a public affairs officer.

In their 108 years of combined service, these two senior members have had several responsibilities in different squadrons as they were moved around the country due to their employment. Both have served a.: command pilots and are certified mission observers, scanners and radio operators.

Capt. William Mordan, Boca Raton squadron commander, said, "With 50 years each of dedicated volunteer service to their country and communities, these two gentlemen are an inspiration to us all."

1st Lt. Jackie Zarrilli

GEORGIA - Twelve cadets and senior members of the Savannah Composite Squadron experienced flying in a Sikorsky UH-60 Blackhawk helicopter simulator at Hunter Army Air Field in Savannah, Ga.

For nearly five hours, members handle the controls, monitored the gauges and



Savannah Composite Squadron Cadet Timothy Brown sits in a Sikorsky UH-60 Blackhawk helicopter simulator at Hunter Army Air Field in Savannah, Ga. Squadron members were allowed to handle the controls, monitor the gauges and fly a mission following a preflight orientation course on the Blackhawk system from an Army instructor pilot.

flew a mission following a preflight orientation course on the Blackhawk system from Army Instructor Pilot Warrant Officer Connelly.

The event was arranged by Maj. Greg Weider of the Savannah squadron, who is also an Army Apache helicopter pilot and certified flight instructor, and 1st Lt. Nicole McKenzie, who is active in the Savannah cadet program. Her husband, U.S. Army Maj. Jeremy McKenzie, also a Savannah squadron member, is a UH-60 pilot currently stationed in Iraq.

Savannah squadron's deputy commander of cadets 1st Lt. Gary Rawlinson coordinated the event with the squadron commander, Capt. Bob Olson, a former Army Chinook pilot who approved the event.

Members participating were cadets Nicole St. Aubin, Timothy Brown, Brenden Bennett, Damien Greatheart, Caleb Grimm, Steven Liebl, Jonathon Martin, Ben Peterson and John Traver; and senior members Maj. Weider and 1st Lts. McKenzie and Rawlinson.

Capt. Jim Phillips

MISSISSIPPI - Members of the Jackson Composite Squadron held a promotion ceremony, cadet change-ofcommand ceremony and going-away party for a cadet entering the U.S. Military Academy at West Point.

During the promotion ceremony, Cadet Chief Master Sgt. Benjamin Rowland was presented with his second lieutenant shoulder boards. Helping pin on the new boards were his father, U.S. Army Master Sgt. Steven Rowland, and 2nd Lt. Tommy Rector, squadron deputy commandant of cadets.

At the formal cadet change-of-command ceremony, Capt. Robert D. Grete relinquished command as cadet commander to Cadet Rowland. The ceremony was presided over by Maj. James S. McKinnie, squadron commander. He was assisted by 2nd Lt. Rector.

The going-away party was hosted by squadron parents and senior members in honor of Cadet Grete, who was leaving for West Point.

NORTH CENTRAL

COMMANDER COL. STEVEN W. KUDDES

REGION

IOWA * KANSAS MINNESOTA * MISSOURI NEBRASKA * NORTH DAKOTA SOUTH DAKOTA

IOWA - Nineteen East Iowa Cadet Squadron cadets participated in a simulated airliner crash landing at the Eastern Iowa Airport in

Cedar Rapids, Iowa, during a disaster drill conducted by the Linn County Emergency Management Agency.

The drill involved every emergency response agency in the county and took place on a closed section of the airport

The scenario involved Trans Global Airlines Flight 953, a Boeing 737 that lost power in one engine due to a collision with a flock of ducks en route from Chicago to Denver. Twelve minutes later the aircraft lost power in its remaining engine while attempting an emergency landing at the Eastern Iowa Airport in Cedar Rapids and then crashed 50 feet short of the runway, splitting the fuselage into two sections and spreading debris and passengers over a quarter-mile stretch of the airport's runway.

Motor coaches represented pieces of the plane's fuselage; and victims were assigned injuries, outfitted with realistic moulage wounds and placed amidst luggage, debris and personal effects scattered along the runway.

"Participating in this disaster simulation provided us with an invaluable, upclose look at how emergency responders react to a major mass casualty disaster," said Capt. Bruce Tiemann, squadron commander. "In addition, we had the opportunity to work hand-in-hand with the various emergency service providers of Linn County, which was very beneficial to us - and we hope to them as well," he said.

The drill was carefully coordinated with Eastern Iowa Airport officials and announcements were made over the public address system alerting passengers at the airport terminal of the presence of emergency vehicles and casualties on the runway. Dozens of fire trucks, law enforcement vehicles and ambulances, including the area's Life Flight air ambulance, participated in the exercise.

Capt. Bruce Tiemann

KANSAS - The third annual Kansas Wing Emergency Services Academy was held on the grounds of Camp Tomah Shinga, four miles south of Junction City, Kan. Members from seven

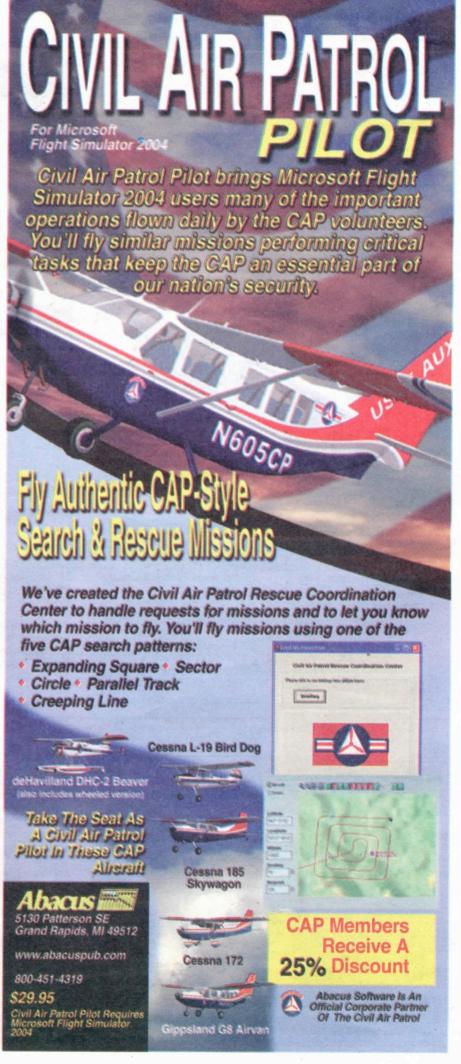
TN unit installs new commander



Tullahoma Composite Squadron Commander Maj. William E. Sander, left, presents incoming squadron commander Lt. Col. John Humphries the squadron flag during a ceremony at Tullahoma Airport, Tenn., while Cadet Chief Master Sgt. Marcos More' assists. A plaque was presented to Maj. Sander acknowledging his efforts with the squadron. One of the major's last duties was presenting Wright Brothers awards to cadets Staff Sgts. Kassandra Crawford, Tommy Holt and Neil Whitehead, and the Dr. Robert H. Goddard Achievement Award to Cadet Chief Master Sgt. Marcos More'. Maj. Sander is being transferred to Offutt Air Force Base, Neb.







Kansas squadrons and wing headquarters staff attended this year's academy, considered by wing officials as the wing's most extensive and intensive emergency services training program.

The academy offered members training in all the skills essential to qualification and participation in CAP's emergency services missions.

Not counting the outbound flights home, aircrews managed to garner approximately 17.5 hours of flying time in the first weekend session. This allowed members to accomplish many of the tasks aircrew members have problems getting checked off during other missions and search and rescue exercises.

Ground team members completed five missions on Friday and Saturday nights, and two more Sunday morning. Lt. Col. Ed Hill also devised a special nighttime course that challenged team skills.

During the exercise, attendees also had the opportunity to practice their flight line aircraft marshalling techniques.

1st Lt. Mark P. Schock

MINNESOTA — Cadet Senior Master Sgt. Trevor Mathisen of Fort Snelling Cadet Squadron was awarded the Air Force Association Outstanding CAP Cadet Award for his service to the squadron during a presentation at squadron headquar-

The award was presented to Cadet Mathisen by Glen Schull, a representative of the Air Force Association, and Maj. Doug Kilian, squadron commander.

Cadet Mathisen has served as the squadron's first sergeant since October 2004. He has supervised the growth of newer cadets, and served as a link between senior members and cadets.

Cadet Mathisen attended the cadet encampment in 2004 and was selected to serve on the 2005 encampment staff. He received the Wright Brothers Award in November and was selected as Fort Snelling squadron's 2004 Noncommissioned Officer of the Year.

Lt. Col. Tony Tarpy

MISSOURI – Four Platte Valley Composite Squadron cadets joined more than 45 other cadets from Missouri in the week-long Missouri Wing Summer Encampment at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo.

Cadets attended classes covering CAP and Air Force history, and took part in physical training and base tours, that included viewing the B-2 bomber and T-38 aircraft used to train B-2 pilots.

Each cadet participated in team building and leadership exercises, and received instruction in drill and ceremonies. "I marched so



Photo by Lt. Col. Wesley R. Biggs Sr

Cadet Senior Master Sgt. Alden Register of the Platte Valley Composite Squadron sits in a T-38 aircraft while retired U.S. Air Force Lt. Col. Richard L. Almeida explains the aircraft controls to him during the Missouri Wing Summer Encampment at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo.

much I just about wore-out my boots," said Cadet Airman Clinton Greenough."

The following Platte
Valley squadron cadets
attended the encampment:
Senior Master Sgt. Alden
Register, Airmen Joshua R.
Bichler, Greenough and
Jonathon Waterman.

The cadets were accompanied on the encampment by Capt. Pete Michael, Platte Valley squadron commander. Lt. Col. Wesley R. Biggs Sr.

NEBRASKA – The Lee Bird Composite Squadron was presented the Transportation Security Administration's Friendship Award during a ceremony at the North Platte Regional Airport in North Platte, Neb.

Reno Bamford, regional

director of the Transportation Security Administration in Lincoln, Neb., presented the award to Capt. Barbara Nitz, squadron commander.

During the ceremony, Mr. Bamford cited instances in which Lee Bird squadron members provided assistance to the TSA during several commercial airline emergencies at the North Platte airport.

The squadron was nominated for the award by John Browers, TSA manager in North Platte.

Lt. Col. James Nitz

determined as a young to not let his disability to stand in the way of his future, and he learned to make the right decisions in order to maximize his full potential in life.

Instead of placing him in a special-needs school program, Chaplain Rountree was placed in a regular public school so he would have the same opportunities as every other child. "I have done a lot of the same things other people have, but I have to do them differently," Chaplain Rountree said. For example, he recently purchased a hand cycle, rode in a 5K- and 10Krace, and now has the goal to ride in the 90-mile El Tour de Tucson race.

As a cadet, Chaplain Rountree received the Gen. Ira C. Eaker award in 1983 and achieved the rank of lieutenant colonel. He was named the 1982 Arizona Wing Cadet of the Year, and served as cadet commander, leaderslip officer, professional development officer and ae ospace education officer.

As a senior member, Chaplain Rountree earned the Gill Robb Wilson Award, and graduated from the Air Command and Staff College. He earned the Scott Crossfield Aerospace Education Master Educator Award and a disaster relief ribbon for providing counseling to the victims of the Rodeo-Chedeski fire in 2002.

Over the past year, Chaplain Rountree has worked as a chaplain during the summer cadet encampment and mentored junior chaplains. He has also provided counseling to Air Force active duty personnel at Luke Air Force Base, Ariz., when base chaplains were not available.

Capt. Allan Pearlstein

ARKANSAS – More than 100 cadets and senior members participated in the 2005 Arkansas Wing Training Encampment at Little Rock Air Force Base in Jacksonville, Ark.

The event — the largest encampment held by the Arkansas Wing in two decades — included cadets from Oklahoma, Iowa and Illinois wings.

Serving as cadet commander was the wing's 2005 National Cadet of the Year, Col. Michael Parker of the



COMMANDER COL. THOMAS L. TODD

ARIZONA * ARKANSAS LOUISIANA * NEW MEXICO OKLAHOMA * TEXAS

ARIZONA – Arizona Wing Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Steven Rountree was presented the Del Rubi Leader/ Mentor Award of Excellence during the Arizona Wing Conference in Mesa, Ariz.

The Del Rubi award, established by the Air Force, is awarded to a CAP member for his or her leadership and mentoring abilities.

Born in California, Chaplain Rountree was born with spina bifida. He was



From left, Glen Schull, Air Force Association representative; Cadet Senior Master Sgt. Trevor Mathisen of Minnesota Wing's Fort Snelling Cadet Squadron; and Maj. Doug Killian, Fort Snelling squadron commander, pose for a photo after Cadet Mathisen was presented the AFA Outstanding CAP Cadet Award during a squadron

"Dad set my standards high, and FlightSafety Academy met them."



FlightSafety Academy grad Erica Moore and her father, senior Delta Captain Bob Moore, in the Learjet bay of FlightSafety's Atlanta Learning Center.

S THE DAUGHTER OF A DELTA CAPTAIN. Erica Moore grew up with a love for flying, but A she was unsure about making it a career.

"Every pilot I knew had military training," explains Erica. "Dad told me, if I want to fly, I should join the Navy."

On her own initiative, Erica looked for other alternatives, researching aviation training schools in Florida. After visits to several campuses, there was one she found worthy of her father's scrutiny: FlightSafety Academy.

"Everything about the Academy impressed me," says Captain Moore. "Their maintenance department rivals that of major airlines - which affords optimal aircraft safety and availability. And having trained pilots myself, I know what good training looks like. I'd rate the Academy's training as excellent."

As an Academy graduate with professional flying credentials, Erica joined the First Officer Program at FlightSafety's Atlanta Learning Center, training weekly on advanced flight simulators with corporate pilots. "The more I learn about aviation," she says, "and the more I see of the industry, the more I respect FlightSafety Academy."



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FLIGHTSAFETY ACADEMY AT VERO BEACH, FLORIDA

42nd Composite Squadron in Little Rock, Ark.

In addition to the normal encampment classroom training on subjects such as leadership, aerospace, moral leadership and drug demand reduction, cadets were exposed to various facets of Air Force life during several tours and activities. Throughout the week, cadets toured the C-130J simulator facility, 314th Civil Engineering Squadron and 314th Security Forces Squadron.

The 314th CES Fire Department conducted a guided tour and mock airplane fire demonstration, while CES's explosive ordnance disposal unit demonstrated the use of their bombsquad robot and Segway scooters. The 314th SFS introduced their military working dogs through an interactive K-9 demonstration and guided cadets in tackling the base obstacle course at the end of the week.

The 189th Airlift Wing of the Arkansas Air National Guard provided cadets with orientation flights on a C-130E Hercules. The aircraft they flew in is the oldest C-130 currently in the Air Force's aircraft inventory.

Eight-five cadets graduated from the encampment. Maj. Bobby Allison

LOUISIANA - The Louisiana Wing held its annual summer encampment at Barksdale Air Force Base in Bossier City, La.

Forty-one cadets participated in various activities, including visits to the 8th Air Force Museum, aircraft static displays, base fire station, life support facility and honor guard facility.

Motivational speakers and representatives from the U.S. Air Force Academy also participated in the activities. One of the most popular parts of encampment was the basic survival training taught by Air Force members. This training was similar to what aircrew members receive on a biannual basis. Skills taught included how to build shelters, obtain food and water and build a fire.

During the encampment, each cadet developed leadership potential, enhanced their interpersonal skills, developed time management skills, worked as a team member

and became more disciplined. 1st Lt. Michael James

NEW MEXICO -Thunderbird Composite

Squadron Cadet Lt. Col. David M. Bracken was presented the CAP Meritorious Service Award.

Col. Frank Buethe, New Mexico Wing commander, presented Cadet Bracken the award for his outstanding service as cadet commander of the Thunderbird squadron from October 2002 to October

As project officer for the 2004 National CAP Week, Cadet Bracken assisted the squadron commander with the flag retirement ceremony at the Veterans Administration Hospital, for which Senator Heather Wilson was the guest of honor. He coordinated with the senator's staff prior to the event, ensuring protocol was accomplished according to appropriate drill and ceremony requirements. Cadet Bracken also coordinated with the wing logistics officer and the staff of the Kirtland Air Force Base **Exchange and Commissary** to set up a CAP display.

Cadet Bracken also reorganized, streamlined and developed inspection procedures, which resulted in a more effective inspection process and an increase in training participation and testing. He is also very knowledge in emergency services response to quantify and validate 24-hour and 72hour ready packs.

Cadet Bracken graduated from high school in May and will attend the University of New Mexico where he plans to major in business administration as a prelaw foundation. His ultimate goal is to one day sit on the Supreme Court.

Capt. Donna Bracken

OKLAHOMA -

Starbase Composite Squadron honor guard members participated in their 10th reenactment of the Changing of the Guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Floral Haven Cemetery in Broken Arrow, Okla., over the Memorial Day weekend.

An exact replica of the tomb in Arlington, Va., was made for this ceremony, which is reenacted at Floral Haven during the three-day Memo-

rial Day weekend each year.

In honor of the squadron's participation in this event, Floral Haven officials helped the members take a trip to Washington, D.C., and Arlington National Cemetery during their spring break this year.

In addition to sightseeing, the cadets received training from The Guard at Arlington National Cemetery who took time to work with the cadets on finetuning the steps in the ceremony. Underneath the monuments in the catacombs, two members of the guard worked with the Starbase cadets for three hours

Members of the Starbase honor guard include: Cadets 2nd Lts. Matt Shipe and Weston Horn, Chief Master Sgt. Agatha Lipats, Tech. Sgt. Matt Scatamacchia, and Airmen Craig Hunninghake, Brandon Trent, and Willie Bailey

Sr. Mbr. Sharisse Horn

TEXAS - Congressman Michael C. Burgess, M.D., visited the Nighthawk Composite Squadron in Denton, Texas.

The Honorable Dr. Burgess represents the 26th Texas District in the U.S. House of Representatives.

During his visit, the congressman spoke to the cadets and senior members about relevant topics, presented the Gen. Billy Mitchell Award to Cadet Chief Master Sgt. Jason Koller, and announced Cadet Koller's appointment to the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colo.

Dr. Burgess spoke to the cadets about the U.S. government and the war in Iraq and answered qustions about about illegal immigration, the backgrounds of U.S. congressmen and the Terry Schiavo

Following the discussion period, Dr. Burgess presented Cadet Koller his Gen. Billy Mitchell Award. Cadet Koller has been a member of CAP for approximately two years, and has served as Nighthawk's cadet public affairs officer. He attended



Nighthawk Composite Squadron Cadet Chief Master Sgt. Jason Koller receives his Gen. Billy Mitchell Award from the Honorable Dr. Michael C. Burgess M.D. who represents the 26th Texas District in the U.S. House of Representatives.

the Advanced Training Squadron in 2003 and Ground Search and Rescue School in 2004, and is a certified ground team member. The 18-year-old is a member of the Boy Scouts of America and an Eagle Scout. Cadet 1st Lt. Daniel

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ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGION COMMANDER COL. LYNDA C. ROBINSON Colorado + Idaho MONTANA * UTAH WYOMING

COLORADO - More than 100 people attended the Dakota Ridge Composite Squadron's midyear awards night at the Centennial Community Church in Parker, Colo.

The guest speaker was Steven Jolly with Lockheed Martin, who spoke on the exploration of Mars and the upcoming launch of the Mars reconnaissance orbiter.

The following cadets received awards and promotions:

≯ 1st Lt. John Cuseo -Brig. Gen. Chrales E. "Chuck" Yeager Aerospace Education Award:

→ Cadet Capt. Adam Berlingberg — Air Force Association medal presented by Air Force Capt. Ron Guerts, president of the Mile High Chapter of the Air Force Association:

→ Cadet Chief Master Sgt. Meg Morrison - Air Force Sergeants Association CAP Noncommissioned Officer medal presented by U.S. Air Force Master Sgt. Kevin Hill, president of the Claude Klobus Chapter of the Air Force Sergeants Associa-

→ Cadets Capt. Kevin Rutherford and Master Sgt. Nicholas Clode - Veterans of Foreign Wars Outstanding CAP Cadet Officer and NCO medals presented by Robert Clements, VFW State com-

→ Cadets Lt. Col. Daniel Vander Vieren and Chief Master Sgt. Meg Morrison -Commander's Commendation certificates and medals:

→ Cadet Airman Basic Sara Overby — Curry ribbon and promotion to airman;

* Cadet Airman Christopher Macomber — Gen. Hap Arnold Award and promotion to airman 1st class; and

→ Cadet Lt. Cols. Michael Pierce and Daniel Vander

Vieren — Gen. Ira C. Eaker awards.

Lt. Col. William E. Aceves II

COLORADO - Cadet Lt. Col. Daniel Jackson was named the Colorado Wing Cadet of the Rear during the 2005 Colorado Wing Conference held in Colorado Springs,

Presenting the award was Colorado Wing Commander Col. Greg Cortum.

Cadet Jackson is the cadet commander of the Colorado Springs Cadet Squadron, which was also named the 2005 Colorado Wing Squadron of Merit.

Cadet Jackson has excelled in all areas of the cadet program, has earned his solo wings as a cadet and is an Eagle Scout. He conceived and directed a Group 3 leadership weekend based on the Battle of Britain, which was attended by 36 cadets. He is a graduate of the 2004 Rocky Mountain Region Cadet Leadership School

Cadet Jackson has accepted an appointment to the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, and reported as a member of the Class of 2009.

Lt. Col. Tim Kelley

IDAHO - Boise Composite Squadron Cadet Robert Ball was promoted to the rank of major.

U.S. Air Force Reservist Maj. Mark Boyter made the presentation.

Cadet Ball has been a member of CAP since 1999. He first joined the Luke Air Force Squadron in Phoenix and then transferred to the Boise squadron in August

Cadet Ball has completed emergency services and first aid training, was ground team certified, and participated in a color guard competition and cadet training school all before moving to Idaho. Since living in Idaho, he has completed cadet leadership school, two advance technology academies, placed second in wing color guard competition, participated in the Wyoming basic encampment, served on the squadron and wing Cadet Advisory Council representative, was alternate region CAC representative and went to Washington, D.C., for a CAC meeting.



Colorado Springs Cadet Squadron Cadet Lt. Col. Daniel Jackson receives the 2005 Colorado Wing Cadet of the Year Award from Colorado Wing Commander Col. Greg Cortum during the wing's conference held in Colorado Springs, Colo.

Cadet Ball is a senior at Mount View High School in Boise, Idaho, where he is an offensive lineman on the football team, a shot put and discus thrower, and is president of the Key Club. His goals are to attend MIT, be an officer in either the U.S. Air Force or Navy, and work for NASA.

commander, and Capt. Frank Shyne, Burbank squadron commander

Cadet Killion has been a member of CAP for five years. He is a junior at Golden Valley High School in Santa Clarita, Calif., and hopes to attend Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University and become a corporate pilot. Capt. Frank Shyne

CALIFORNIA -

Fallbrook Senior Squadron member Lt. Col. Will Gordon received his 50-year member award

The award was presented by Lt. Col. Jerry Rohles, Fallbrook squadron com-

Col. Gordon, an Air Force F-86 pilot, first joined CAP in the early 1950s. He became

an American Airlines pilot in 1956 and served most of his 32-year airline career based out of Los Angeles and San Diego. He retired from the airline in 1988 with more than 25,000 flying hours in his log book.

Col. Gordon participated in the Air Force as one of the first Reserve officers assigned to CAP. He worked in this capacity with the California Wing for 18 years. He retired as a lieutenant colonel in the Air Force Reserve 1976.

Active as a CAP member. Col. Gordon served as El Monte Composite Squadron commander in the late 1960s. He founded and commanded the Fallbrook squadron in the early 1990s, and served as commander of the former San Gabriel Valley Group 15 and former San Diego Group 3. At the wing level, he served as director of operations and director of emergency services, and as a cadet encampment commander

Col. Gordon has served as mission/incident commander for 85 missions, with his most significant mission resulting in the saving of two lives several years ago. He has participated in 385 CAP search and rescues, and numerous former cadets received their first orientation flight in his 7FC Champion aircraft

Capt. James Pedersen

NEVADA — Two Nellis Senior Squadron members were promoted during a ceremony at the North Las Vegas Air Terminal.

Capt. Robert Harrison of Las Vegas was promoted to major, and senior member Ian Ryan of Henderson, Nev., to second lieutenant.

Sr. Mbr. Harrison has been a member of CAP since April 1995. He is a licensed mission pilot and serves as assistant to the squadron safety officer. He is employed as a project manager. Sr. Mbr. Ryan, also a licensed pilot, has been a member of CAP since February

Capt. Mark Goodman

OREGON - Cadet 1st Lt. Jeremy Hanson, Medford Composite Squadron cadet commander, has been elected vice chairman of the Oregon Wing Cadet Advisory Council.

Cadet Hanson is currently working on obtaining his pilot's license, and is planning a career in the U.S. Coast Guard.

The 16-year-old homeschooled student is the son of 2nd Lt. Jerald A. and Becky Hanson of Sams Valley, Ore. He is the grandson of former Cadet Helen L. Read Hanson, a charter member of the Medford squadron when it was founded in the 1950s.

Sr. Mbr. De Davis-Guy

WASHINGTON -

Washington Wing mission specialists, ground teams and aircrews received an overall score of excellent during the biennial mission readiness evaluation by Pacific Region liaison staff.

Exercise "Silver Viper" tested operational capabilities and training in search and rescue, disaster relief, homeland security and counterdrug missions.

The evaluation was capped by a 21/2-day practical exercise hosted by the Mount Rainer Composite Squadron. Mission



COL. MERLE V. STARR

ALASKA * CALIFORNIA HAWAII * NEVADA OREGON * WASHINGTON

CALIFORNIA - Cadet 2nd Lt. Michael Killion, Burbank Angels Cadet Squadron cadet deputy commander, flew his first solo flight on his 16th birthday.

Cadet Killion has been taking.flight lessons for three

In addition to his first solo flight and the celebration of his 16th birthday, Cadet Killion also received his Gen. Billy Mitchell Award. The presentation was made by Lt. Col. Valerie Garcia-Hanley, Los Angeles County Group 1



Cadet 2nd Lt. Michael Killion, Burbank Angels Cadet Squadron deputy commander, poses before taking his first solo flight on his 16th birthday.

base, located at the Pierce County Airport near Puyallup, Wash., was home to approximately 80 members and various CAP aircraft and vehicles. Remote missions were also conducted from Boeing Field in Seattle, Wash.

A variety of missions were flown, including electronic search and photo missions using CAP's satellite-transmitted digital imaging system. A real-world electronic locator transmitter mission was flown on the first day with the target being located at an airport near the Canadian border.

Lt. Col. James McCormick, leader of the 10-member evaluation team, briefed the members at the end of the exercise, and highlighted the wing's use of a wireless local area network and newly designed "crew chief" concept for flight line management.

Col. Ernestus Schnabler, wing commander and emergency manager by profession, said, "I must say you folks were second to none compared to the professional first responders I have worked. You folks did as good and, in many areas, better than I have seen in the homeland security environment - just incredible.

Tech. Sgt. Ronald Kruml

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COMMANDER COL. DONNIE ROWLAND

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GERMANY - Thirteen cadets with the Germanybased Ramstein and Spangdahlem Cadet squadrons attended two days of space training at the Euro Space Center in Transinne, Belgium.

Before going into space, the cadets learned about the history of spacecraft and travel.

The cadets were next trained on the multi-axis and rotating chairs and the gravity defying moonwalk. Once qualified, two cadets, as commander and pilot, boarded the full-scale mock-up simulator of an American space shuttle, Amicitia, for their space mission. Other cadets



Spangdahlem Cadet Squadron Cadet Airman Justin Jones serves as the Space Shuttle Amicitia commander during the Ramstein and Spangdahlem Cadet squadrons' space training session at the Euro Space Center in Transinne, Belgium. Also pictured is the center's instructor, Monsieur Henri Dubois.

were assigned to the mission control room in the positions of flight director, launch and landing director, and spacecraft systems officer. The simulation involved a launch, an orbit phase with satellite deployment, docking with a space station and a landing.

Ramstein members participating were: Senior members Lt. Col. Debra Gage, Capt. Raphael and Sr. Mbr.

Florentina Eredita; and cadets Chad Behr, Ashley Campbell, Alison Eredita, Matt Gage, and Jacob Sealy.

Spangdahlem members participating were: Sr. Mbr. Soren Nelson; and cadets Allyson Barksdale, Tim Douglas, Justin Jones, Kyle Lounsbury, Austin Turner, Amy Walls, Robert Young and Blaze Wright.

Lt. Col. Debra S. Gage

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